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Victoria, B. C. **J. W. MELLOR**

Col. Otter Wounded

In the Fight at Israelspoort--Canadian Commander's Injuries Not Serious.

Warren Has Been Appointed Military Governor of Griqualand West.

No News of French's Attempt to Cut Off Retreating Boers.

(Associated Press.)

London, April 27.—2 p.m.—The following dispatch has been received at the war office from Lord Roberts:

"Bloemfontein, April 26.—At the request of the high commissioner, Warren has been appointed military governor of Griqualand, West, while that part of the country is in a disturbed condition."

This dispatch constitutes all the war news received up to this hour.

The country is eagerly awaiting to hear whether Gen. French succeeded in cutting off the retreating Boers, but of his progress there is not a word.

The military critics of the afternoon papers differ as to the

Chances of Another Paardeberg,

but they agree in considering the situation in the Free State as being eminently satisfactory. They argue that even if Gen. French is unable to intercept the main Boer forces, he may score considerable success in a series of rear guard actions or the isolation of straggling bodies.

Lord Roberts's peculiar reference to Sir Alfred Milner over Warren's appointment lends itself to the inference that the commander-in-chief of the British forces in South Africa scarcely approves of it and that the previous report that Warren had been recalled was correct, but that he was

Saved From Coming Home

by the action of the British high commissioner.

According to a special dispatch from Lorenzo Marquez the latest estimates of the Boer forces place them at 30,000, of which 13,000 are at Kroonstadt, 6,000 at Fourteen Streams, 6,000 in Natal, 700 about Mafeking and 1,000 at Pretoria, while 250 have been ordered north to intercept Gen. Carrington's force. The work of entrenching Pretoria is proceeding.

BENNETT BURLEIGH'S LETTER

London, April 18.—Mr. Bennet Burleigh, writing to the Daily Telegraph, records the intense dissatisfaction caused among certain sections of officers by Lord Roberts's considerate treatment of the late foes in the Free State.

Mentioning the strict discipline imposed on the British force, Mr. Burleigh says: "A Canadian appropriated a chicken from a farm yard. I know of thousands of officers and others who have done the same thing before and nothing has been said of it. The poor Canadian came before a court-martial and was sentenced to 56 days' hard labor for his offence. It makes the stomachs of many ordinary reputable soldiers holding Her Majesty's commissions turn to think they

Have Escaped Censure

and have eaten of just such 'plucked' chickens. I am told the Canadian colonel, in addressing his men, found no complaint with the sentence, which somebody erroneously said might have been hanging."

Mr. Burleigh adds this reference to Lord Kitchener: "The great mystery man of this war is undoubtedly Lord Kitchener. His energy, ubiquity and genius are beyond doubt, but where is he? I wish I knew, for where he is there is matter to write about worthy of publication."

OTTER SLIGHTLY WOUNDED.

London, April 27.—A dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, April 27th, gives General Ian Hamilton's report of the British casualties at Israelspoort on April 26th.

Among those slightly wounded is Col. W. D. Otter, of Canada.

General Hamilton reports that the Canadians and Marshall's Horse did splendidly, and could not have done any better.

The Turkish Question

United States Note Has Been Handed to the Turkish Foreign Minister.

American Government Demands Immediate Payment of Indemnity.

The Porte Continues to Repudiate the Responsibility for the Outrages

(Associated Press.)

Constantinople, April 27.—The American note handed to the Turkish minister of foreign affairs, Tewefik Pasha, on Tuesday, as intimated in the dispatches of the Associated Press yesterday, is couched in peremptory terms, demanding the immediate payment of the indemnity several times promised to the minister by the Sultan.

The note does not fix a time limit for an answer, but its tenor is not far from the character of an ultimatum.

It has produced a great impression upon the Porte, which, however, shows no disposition to modify the attitude hitherto maintained, namely, repudiating the responsibility, and seeking to diminish the importance of the matter. It is presumed that the Porte's reply will be in this sense, and hence it is feared that the United States government will be obliged to take steps to enforce its demands.

Turkey's decision to send an officer to America to study naval construction is interpreted to be another sop. A revival of an old project is to buy a cruiser in the United States, in the price of which the indemnity shall be included, so that the Porte will be able to say it has not paid the indemnity. The American government has already categorically refused such a compromise, which would mean prolonged negotiations and the dragging out of the matter indefinitely, to which the United States will not listen.

As regards the indemnity, it is in the nature of a debt of honor. If the Porte wants to buy a cruiser that is a matter in no way connected with the indemnity.

The Porte's reply to the last collective note on the subject of duties has not yet been made, and the embassies are exchanging views in regard to the terms on which to consent to an increase of duties. It is though that before the beginning of negotiations, the embassies will invite the Porte to abolish the ransoms and measures introduced in violation of the treaties.

Mussulmans Arrested.

Constantinople, April 26.—Twenty arrests were made yesterday of Mussulmans alleged to be sympathizers with the young Turkish party.

YELLOW JACK.

(Associated Press.)

Vera Cruz, Mex., April 27.—Several cases of yellow fever have broken out among people recently arrived here, and the fever has several victims at Sulina Cruz, on the Pacific coast.

SIR JOHN BRIDGE DEAD.

(Associated Press.)

London, April 27.—Sir John Bridge, the former police magistrate of London, is dead. He was born in 1824.

Fatalities In the Fire

Four Persons Burned to Death--Several Reported to Be Missing.

Many Hurt by Falling Debris but None Fatally Injured.

Fire Now Under Control--Homeless People in Drill Hall and Schools.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, April 27.—The wind continues from the northeast, and unless it changes the city will be safe, as the fire has about burned itself out towards the country. Should the wind turn and blow some of the burning debris towards the city, there would be great danger of it breaking out again, as everything is as dry as match wood.

The list of dead and missing is as follows:

Mrs. Bessie Cook, Wellington, cremated in her own house.

Unknown man found on Broad street, charred beyond recognition.

Unknown man found in C. P. R. station yard, severely burned.

John Matthews, 15 Division street, reported dead.

John Tumpte, Somerset street, missing.

Daoust, Water street, nightwatchman for E. B. Eddy Co., reported dead.

Fireman Dann, and Engineer Peter Hamilton, of Hull, missing.

Many were injured, principally by burns and scorching.

Several were reported as hurt by falling debris, but so far as known none were fatally injured.

Relief for Sufferers.

Ottawa, April 27.—At a cabinet meeting to-day the government decided to give $100,000 to the relief of the sufferers from the Ottawa and Hull fires. Ten thousand dollars will be given for immediate use. The city council has also decided to give $10,000. A new electric plant has been established and the parliament houses and residences of the city are supplied with light.

Help Needed.

(Associated Press.)

Ottawa, April 27.—The fire is now under control both in Ottawa and Hull. Eighteen thousand people are homeless. The drill shed, schools and other buildings are crowded.

Ten people are reported dead, and a large number missing.

Only three places were saved, the electric railway power house, electric light small power house, and Booth's mills.

The loss is $15,000,000; insurance $3,000,000. The C. P. R. loses everything.

Help for the homeless is needed immediately.

The fire was finally subdued shortly after 5 o'clock this morning.

Among the heavy losers are: Eddy's paper mills, match factory and their entire establishments, excepting the sulphurite works, which were outside the fire zone; Bronson & Weston's lumber mill; the Hull Lumber Co.'s mill; one of Booth's mills; one of the power houses of the Ottawa Electric Co., and the Hull water works.

The residences of Hon. G. E. Foster and J. R. Booth were also totally destroyed.

The origin of the fire is said to be due to a defective chimney in the house of a man named Kirouac, on Chandiere street, Hull.

Many homeless camped in the open air last night.

The Ontario government has telegraphed $2,500 for the relief of the fire sufferers. The Governor-General also has given $1,000, the Bank of Montreal $10,000, and the Bank of Ottawa $5,000.

CHICAGO LABOR TROUBLES.

Contractors Say Union Men Are Preparing to Destroy the Dewey Stand.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, April 27.—The assignment of 1,000 police officers on strike duty has been demanded formally of Mayor Harrison by a delegation from the building contractors' council.

Although no serious demonstrations marked the day, the "Bosses'" delegation insisted that the lull in violence was of the kind that preceded a storm. They said that unless strenuous action was taken by the authorities lawlessness and bloodshed would be rife.

The contractors at work on the reviewing stand for the Dewey parade made a serious charge against union men. They said they had received information of a plot by which the reviewing stand was to be soaked with kerosene and destroyed by fire, or undermined during the night, so that it would collapse when the crowd began to occupy it.

H. C. Baster, foreman of the Baker Vawter Co., who killed Peter Miller while the latter with others were assaulting Baster and some non-union men, was released on bonds of $10,000 to-day.

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Operations in Free State

Gen. Hamilton is Trying to Cut Off the Retreating Boers.

Burghers When Beaten are Returning to Their Farms and Hide Their Rifles.

London, April 27.—Israelspoort, mentioned in Lord Roberts's dispatch, which is not marked on the maps, lies between Sanna's Post and Thaba Nchu.

Gen. Hamilton has probably by this time arrived at Thaba Nchu, as he is using his utmost endeavors to cut off the Boers who are retreating from Dewet's Dorp. The Boer forces at Thaba Nchu are not unlikely to make a stand to cover the escape of the envoys from the southward. They have laagers eight miles apart stretching from Brandfort to Thaba Nchu, with a base camp at Samalldell station.

A report comes that a small force of British mounted infantry had a brush with a party of Boers ten miles east of Karree Siding, who were trying to establish a connection between Brandfort and the Boer forces to the southward.

Otherwise there is no news beyond the official dispatches of Lord Roberts, except belated details of recent operations.

It appears that Gen. Brabant in the fight with the Boers at Wepener had a narrow escape.

Gen. Pole-Carew's advance was much hampered by the tardy arrival of artillery, which prevented him from capturing Leeuw Kop before darkness set in, enabling the Boers to secure their retreat.

The report that the Boers had reoccupied Boshof proves to be untrue. Lord Methuen is still there, and Gen. Hunter's division from Natal, which was supposed to be going to Bloemfontein, is arriving at Kimberley.

Dispatch From Roberts.

The following dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, April 26th, is published by the war office:

"Gen. Hamilton yesterday drove the enemy off a strong position at Israelspoort by a well conceived turning movement, which was admirably carried out by Gen. Ridley, commander of the Second Mounted Infantry Brigade, and Gen. Smith-Dorrien, commanding the 18th Brigade. The troops are to-day advancing toward Thaba Nchu.

"Our losses are slight, only one yet reported—Major Marshall, Grahamston Mounted Rifles, severe wound in the shoulder."

Other Reports.

The Standard Bloemfontein correspondent telegraphing on Thursday says: "Gen. Ian Hamilton, with mounted infantry, naval guns and a howitzer battery, advanced from the water works in the direction of Thaba Nchu. A large force of infantry supported him. He met with no opposition, and the mounted infantry occupied a position dominating the Ladybrand district."

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, telegraphing on Wednesday, says: "Our mounted infantry entered the high mountain plateau of Thaba Nchu to-day, almost without opposition. As Thaba Nchu is a natural fortress, this must mean that the Boers have practically thrown up the sponge in this section of the country. If the force presses on to Ladybrand, the whole country south of that point and in line with Bloemfontein will be completely in our hands. One difficulty is that many of the Boers forming commandoes, immediately on finding themselves beaten retreat to their farms and resume the role of peaceful citizens, hiding their rifles."

Failed to Surround the Boers.

Bloemfontein, April 27.—General Pole-Carew's forces are seven miles north of Dewet's Dorp to-day.

They are disappointed at the failure to surround the Boers, but believe the march will have a good effect on the Free Staters.

Wherever he found Free Staters, who had broken the oath, Gen. Pole-Carew seized their cattle and horses.

British Subjects Expelled.

Pretoria, April 25.—Another batch of British subjects, consisting of ten men, 263 women and 429 children, have been put over the border and are going to Delagoa Bay.

London, April 27.—The Lorenzo Marquez correspondent of the Daily Mail, under Wednesday's date, commenting upon the methods of the Transvaal government in expelling British subjects at a time when there is no steamer to take them from there, says: "United States Consul Adelbert S. Hay is doing his best to delay their departure until a steamer is ready. As the British are suspected at Pretoria of causing to-day's explosion by means of a tunnel dug from a house on the opposite side of the street, the affair is likely to precipitate the expulsion of those remaining. It is also feared that the Boers will make reprisals on the mines."

The Pretoria correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing on Wednesday, says: "The government inquiry suggests that the explosion was a planned outrage. The explosion occurred in a house quite separate from the forts and required a much larger quantity of nitroglycerine than could have been found on the premises. The factory will be worked again in a fortnight.

Boers and Basutos.

Toronto, April 26.—J. H. Balger, with five South African native boys, aged from 8 to 14 years, two Basutos, one Bushman, one Zulu and one Kaffir, all bright looking boys, whom he took in their wild state and civilized, arrived here yesterday. Mr. Balger, while not approving of blacks fighting against whites, thought that it would do the Boers good to let 20,000 Basutos on horseback at them.

HER MAJESTY'S RETURN.

The Queen's Parting Message to People of Ireland.

Dublin, April 26.—The Queen, before her departure from this city, briefly conversed with the Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress, and expressed her regret that she was obliged to leave. She said she had had a most pleasant visit and intimated that she hoped to be able to return.

The Queen conferred baronetcies upon the Lord Mayors of Dublin and Belfast, the title of Lord Mayor on the Mayor of Cork and the Mayor of Londonderry. Her Majesty gave £10,000 to be distributed among the poor in the Dublin hospitals.

By the Queen's command Lord Cadogan, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, has published the following: "The Queen is very anxious before leaving Ireland, where she has spent a most agreeable time, to express through the Lord Lieutenant to her Irish people how very much gratified and how deeply touched she had been by her reception during the past three weeks. She has been received by all ranks and creeds with an enthusiasm and affection which could not be surpassed. Each time the Queen came before, with her dead husband, they kindly and warmly welcomed her, but on this occasion, after the lapse of thirty-nine years, her reception equalled that of previous visits, and she carries away the most pleasant and affectionate memories of the time spent in Ireland. The Queen earnestly prays that good will and harmony may prevail among all her people, and that they may be happy and prosperous."

London, April 26.—Queen Victoria arrived at Holyhead at 6.30 p.m. The town was profusely decorated. The Queen and her suite dined aboard the yacht after anchorage had been reached. They will remain on board the vessel until 10.30 to-morrow, when the party will take a train for Windsor.

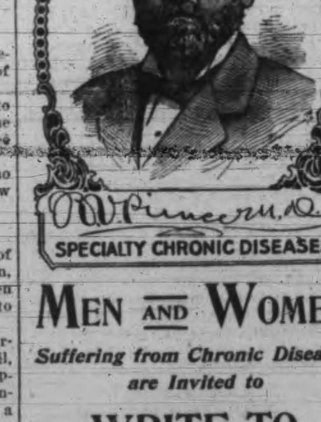
STEEL WORKS CLOSED.

Columbus, Ohio, April 26.—The local plant of the National Steel Company has been closed under orders from the general offices, the reason assigned being to make extensive repairs. Between three and four hundred men are thrown out of work. Two weeks is given as the duration of the shut down. The local officials deny that the shut down is due to the condition of the markets.

ARE YOU ONE OF THEM.

Statistics show that 25 per cent. of men and women suffer the torture of itching piles. Investigation proves that Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment has never yet failed to cure itching piles, and all of these men and women could end their sufferings at once by using it. Scores of thousands have been cured by this treatment. Everybody can be cured in the same way.

Gustave A. Martin, representative of St. Sulpice Seminary, and agent of the Phoenix Fire Assurance Co., of London, in Montreal, dropped dead in the street car yesterday.



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Thousands Homeless

Later Details of the Disastrous Conflagration at Hull and Ottawa

Damage Is Estimated at Twenty Million Dollars—Flames Not Yet Extinguished.

Ottawa, April 27.—The fire which broke out in Hull yesterday morning and spread to Ottawa was not under control at midnight.

Five square miles of city burned over, more than 2,500 dwellings, factories, mills, stores and other buildings destroyed, entailing a loss estimated to reach $20,000,000, and between 12,000 and 15,000 women and children homeless, is the rough estimate early this morning of the damage done by the fire.

Most of the lumber piles of Ottawa and Hull are now mere heaps of charred wood and ashes. Half a dozen churches and schools have been burned. The Eddy Company's paper pulp mills, match factory and their entire establishments, with the exception only of the sulphide works, which were out of the line of fire,

Have Been Destroyed.

Bronsons & Weston's mill, the Hull Lumber Company's mill, one of Booth's mills, the McKay Flour Milling Company's premises, one of the power houses of the Ottawa Electric Company, the Hull waterworks, the Hull court house and gaol, the post office, the convent, and almost every business place, as well as about 1,000 dwellings and shops in Hull have been destroyed. Indeed, practically nothing of Hull is left but the big Roman Catholic church and a few houses beyond it.

The fire broke out in the house of Mr. Kiroac, of Hull. It is understood that Mrs. Kiroac had just lit her stove to get the family dinner, and set the chimney on fire. The flames spread to the roof and quickly communicated to adjoining houses, and as there was

A Heavy Gale Blowing

at the time the fire very soon got beyond control.

The spot where the fire originated is about a quarter of a mile from Main street, Hull.

As a gale was blowing from the northwest right in the direction of the lumber piles and mills on both the Hull and Ottawa shores of the Ottawa river and Chaudiere Falls, it was soon seen that the fire was almost certain to be a large one.

By 11:30 the fire had got a good hold of Main street, and the entire street and dozens of cross streets were burned. Practically there is not a house left on the street.

About this time the fire had made a jump of nearly half a mile and ignited Eddy's wood yard near the match factory. That was soon in flames, and the 50-mile-an-hour gale which was blowing drove the high column of flame across Bridge street and set fire to the Eddy paper mill and other buildings of the company.

The fire at this time also

Sprang Across the Ottawa River

and caught the sheds in the rear of the McKay Milling Co. on Victoria Island, and in a few minutes the lumber piles on Victoria and Chaudiere islands, one of the power houses of the Ottawa Electric Company, the Victoria Foundry, and half the buildings on the two islands were in flames.

The Ottawa fire brigade was called upon for assistance, but it was soon seen that the combined forces of Ottawa and Hull were wholly inadequate to fight the terrific conflagration which was now raging.

Hon. Mr. Mulock, acting minister of public works, telegraphed the mayors of Montreal, Brockville and Peterboro to send by special train at government expense all the fire fighters and the assistance that could be spared.

While Victoria and Chaudiere islands were a

Seething Mass of Roaring Flames,

the fire made another jump and caught in the freight sheds of the C. P. R. yards at the Chaudiere, and soon after the Union station was blazing. The rolling stock and most of the freight and baggage had been removed, but the flames spread with great rapidity, and in a very short time the whole of Chaudiere Flats was fire-swept.

Once more the flames made a jump and set fire to the lumber piles near Mr. J. R. Booth's beautiful residence at the corner of Preston street and Richmond road, and soon Mr. Booth's residence and that of his son-in-law, Mr. A. W. Duck, were in flames, and the fire led its triumphal march towards the St. Louis Dam, where an immense quantity of lumber belonging to J. R. Booth, the Shepherd & Morse Co. and other firms were stored. This made

A Tremendous Blaze,

and the huge mass of fire was blown by the wind, which continued to blow a gale [illegible] and Hintonburg, all of which were literally wiped out.

The fire also devastated the little settlement of St. Mary's village.

The flames spread along the Richmond road, taking Martin & Warnock's flour mills and extending almost to Skead's Mills, some three miles beyond the city limits.

At this time, 5 o'clock, there was an almost continuous line of fire from its starting place at Chautier street, Hull, to the St. Louis Dam and the Experimental Farm in one direction, and through and beyond Hintonburg in another, a distance of nearly seven miles.

In some places the fire was

More Than Half a Mile Deep.

The fire began eating its way through the city by way of Wellington, Albert and other streets, and it looked for some time as if the centre of the city must go. Preparations were made to protect the parliament buildings.

At 3 o'clock connections with the power houses were turned and all the electric cars came to a sudden stop. The city's electric light service, public and private, was also knocked out.

Britain Must Aid Ottawa.

London, April 27.—The Times says editorially this morning: "Great Britain must help Canada, who is lavishing her blood and treasure in South Africa, by contributing funds for the victims of the Ottawa fire."

EPWORTH LEAGUE CONVENTION.

Programme for the Gathering Shortly to Be Held Here.

The programme for the ninth annual convention of the Epworth League and Sunday School Association of the Methodist church of British Columbia to be held at Victoria May 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th, 1900, is as follows:

Thursday Morning.

9:00.—Meeting of executive of convention. Meeting of local billeting committee.

10:00.—Preparation and praise service, conducted by the president.

11:00.—Address of welcome and reply, appointing of committees and receiving reports from standing committees.

Thursday Afternoon.

J. H. Fife, of Vancouver, chairman of the session.

1:30 to 2.—Devotional service to be conducted by the Queen's Ave. church, New Westminster.

2 to 2:45.—Paper on "The Responsibility of Personal Effort in Winning the World for Christ," by Ralph Williamson, Agassiz.

2:45 to 3:30.—Paper on "Christian Citizenship," by F. W. Davey, Centennial church, Victoria.

3:30 to 4:15.—Open parliament on Sunday school work.

4:15 to 5.—Paper on "Systematic Bible Study and How to Interest Our Sunday School Scholars in Same," by T. W. Mowat, Nanaimo.

Thursday Evening.

President Keith in the chair.

8:00.—Lecture on "Christian Citizenship," Rev. E. E. Scott. Collection.

Friday Morning.

Ralph Williamson, of Agassiz, chairman of the session.

9 to 9:30.—Prayer and praise service, conducted by members of Princess St. church, Vancouver.

9:30 to 10:15.—Address on "The Discipline of the Methodist Church," by Rev. R. Whittington.

10:15 to 11.—Paper on "The Forward Movement in Missions," by Rev. W. H. Barraclough.

11 to 11:30.—Paper on the Sunday school "Lookout Work," by a member from Chilliwack.

11:30 to 12.—Paper on "The Home Department," by Mrs. Siddall, Metropolitan church, Victoria.

Friday Afternoon.

T. W. Mowat, Nanaimo, chairman.

1:30 to 2.—Devotional services, conducted by members of James Bay church, Victoria.

2 to 2:45.—Paper on the "Lookout Committee, What It Is, Why It Is," by Dr. Riggs, Homer street, Vancouver.

2:45 to 3:30.—Open parliament on League work.

3:30 to 4:30.—Under the control of superintendents of junior leagues of the different churches.

4:30 to 5.—In charge of the intermediate league of the Metropolitan church, Victoria.

Friday Evening.

8:00.—Programme to be arranged by the members of Metropolitan church. Collection.

Saturday Morning.

President Keith in the chair.

9 to 9:30.—Praise service to be led by president.

9:30 to 12.—Reports of committees, answers to question box, election of officers. Choosing place and date for next convention. New business.

Saturday Afternoon.

In charge of local societies.

Sunday Morning.

10 to 11.—Love feast.

11:00.—Special sermon to delegates.

Sunday Afternoon.

2:30.—Mass meeting of Sunday schools. Appropriate addresses, singing, etc.

Sunday Evening.

7:00.—Special sermon on "Entire Sanctification." Consecration service, and at the close the usual impressive separation service.

The officers of the convention are as follows: President, C. S. Keith, New Westminster; 1st vice-president, T. W. Haslam, Nanaimo; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Ashton, Agassiz; 3rd vice-president, F. W. Davey, Victoria; 4th vice-president, Miss G. Robson, New Westminster; secretary, Horace J. Knott, Victoria; treasurer, Miss M. Nicolls, Vancouver.

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Comes News of the Cure of Mr. Arthur W. McCutcheon by the Use of Doan's Kidney Pills.

It's astonishing how good news will spread. In nearly every town and village of this great Western country people are talking about Doan's Kidney Pills and their wonderful power in curing backache and every form of kidney disease.

It is impossible for us to begin to publish all the cases that come to our notice, or all the letters that are voluntarily written us endorsing these pills.

To-day we give the statement of Mr. Arthur W. McCutcheon of Boissevain, Man., which is as follows: "I had suffered from severe backache for some time, and getting no relief from the various remedies I used, I decided to try Doan's Kidney Pills. When I had finished taking one box I felt so much easier and better that I immediately got three boxes more of the pills and before those were all taken I was completely cured."

Doan's Kidney Pills are a reliable and never failing cure for backache, lame or weak back, Bright's Disease, diabetes, dropsy, puffiness under the eyes, swelling of the feet and ankles, rheumatism, gravel, urinary weakness of children and old people, headaches, dizzy spells and female complains. Sold by all medicine dealers at 50 cents a box, or 3 for $1.25. The Doan Kidney Pill Co., Toronto, Ont. Ask for Doan's and refuse all others.

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COMMITTEES AT WORK

Soliciting Subscriptions for Celebration—Preliminary Round Most Successful.

The committees appointed to canvass the various districts for subscriptions for the approaching Queen's Birthday celebrations have now commenced work, and from present indications a splendid amount will be collected. Yesterday Mayor Hayward, Major Williams and Wm. Dalby made a preliminary canvass, and that they were especially successful is evidenced by the accompanying list:

The City Council	$1,000
E. & N. Ry. Co.	100
B. C. Electric Ry. Co.	50
C. P. N. Co.	50
Savoy Theatre	50
Lt.-Gov. McInnes	25
Mayor Hayward	25
Bank of B. C.	25
Bank of Montreal	25
Pither & Leiser	25
Hudson's Bay Co.	25
R. P. Rithet & Co.	25
Simon Leiser	25
Drake, Jackson & Helmcken	25
McPhillips, Wootton & Barnard	25
Weiler Bros.	25
Pemberton & Son	25
Victoria Transfer Co.	25
Bodwell & Duff	25
B. C. L. & I. Agency	25
Thomas Earle	25
Lenz & Leiser	25
Brackman-Ker Milling Co.	25
Victoria Phoenix Brewing Co.	25
Colonist P. & P. Co.	25
Times P. & P. Co.	25
H. M. Grahame	25
Redon & Hartnagle	20
E. G. Prior & Co.	20
J. H. Todd & Sons	20
Richard Hall	15
Davie, Pooley & Luxton	15
Fell & Gregory	15
Henderson Bros.	15
Tupper & Peters	15
The Grotto	15
The Brown Jug	15
W. G. Stevenson	15
J. Piercy & Co.	10
New England Hotel	10
Erskine, Wall & Co.	10
R. L. Fraser	5
O. M. Jones	5
Island Market	5
Chinese residents $500 as under:	
Kwong On Lung	25
L. G. Wing	25
Tai Yune & Co.	25
Hang Wo Hing Kee	20
Gim Fook Yuen	20
Sing Lee	15
Quong Man Fung	15
Kong Wo	15
Ying Chong Lung	10
Tai Soong & Co.	10
Hong Yuen & Co.	10
Wah Yuen & Co.	10
Lim Sam	10
On Hing	10
Chong Lung	10
Mar Chan	10
Chu Chung & Co.	5
Yuen Lung	5
Dan Yock Tong	5
Ying Yung	5
Ah Hoy	5
Kim Lung & Co.	5
L. Wing Kow	5
Kam Cheong	5
Smaller sums	220
Total	$2,525

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Just as Easy to Form as Any Other.

We do not deliberately form our pet habits, but they are unconsciously acquired and grow as we grow, and by the time we learn they are hurting us, we find them too strong to be easily broken.

Then, why not form a good habit, a habit which will counteract the many bad ones, in other words contract the unfashionable habit of being always well.

The best health habit to get into is to have and keep a vigorous stomach; if you have a healthy digestion you can drink your beloved coffee, smoke your favorite brand of tobacco, with little or no harm; the mischief begins when these things are forced upon the faithful stomach, without any assistance.

Form the habit of taking after meals some harmless but efficient digestive which will relieve the stomach of so much extra work.

Nature furnishes us with such digestives, and when they are combined in such a pleasant preparation as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, they give the overworked stomach just the necessary assistance to secure perfect digestion without any of the harmful effects of cathartics and similar drugs.

The habit of taking Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after meals is as necessary to the weak stomach as food itself, and indeed to get the benefit from food eaten, nothing better and certainly nothing safer can be used.

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Take into account your bad habits and the expense they entail and then invest fifty cents in a box of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and see if your digestion for the next months is not vastly improved.

Ask the clerk in any drug store the name of the most successful and popular stomach remedy and he will say "Stuart's."

The Constantinople correspondent of the London Daily Mail says: "In addition to rebuilding the American structures at Kharput the Sultan has found a way of paying the indemnity to America by ordering a cruiser to be built in the United States, the cost of which will include the $90,000 claimed."

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

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STEINITZ FREE AGAIN.

Steinitz has been recently discharged from Dr. J. J. Kindred's River Crest Sanitarium, near Astoria, L. I., where he had been undergoing treatment for several weeks. From the standpoint of a specialist, the former champion is still insane, but Dr. Kindred said there was nothing alarming in his symptoms. The question of an absolute cure could only be solved by time and proper treatment. His case had been diagnosed as one of paranoia. Early in February last Mr. Steinitz was committed to the State Insane Asylum on Ward's Island, and later, through the intervention of friends, he was transferred to the River Crest Sanitarium, where he was comfortably quartered in a cottage annex. After his transfer to that institution he practically had the freedom of the grounds. He maintained that he was perfectly rational.

The physicians admit that to the ordinary observer Steinitz will appear sane. Under expert scrutiny, however, he develops certain peculiarities that indicate the particular form of malady from which he is suffering. He is given to morbid suspicions, at other times to a fear of persecution, which is succeeded by a feeling of elation. Mr. Steinitz wrote a pamphlet on "Capital, Labor and Charity," while he was in the sanitarium, and feared that his sequestration would deprive him of the copyright to his work. Although always admitting that he received the best of treatment in the sanitarium, yet upon certain occasions Steinitz declined to eat, claiming that the food was poisoned by persons known to him only. Dr. Kindred will not say that Steinitz is cured, or that he has improved to any appreciable extent, during the last few weeks he has been at the sanitarium, but as Steinitz was clamoring for his release, and his wife and friends were anxious for his return to his family, Dr. Kindred consented to his discharge in his wife's custody.

A London dispatch says James M. Barrie, the novelist, has accepted the invitation of a committee to contest the vacancy in the representation of the House of Commons of Edinburgh and St. Andrew's University, provided the Liberals of the constituency generally approve of his candidacy.

Chest Feels Tight

You seem all choked up and stuffed up with the cold—find it hard to breathe. Cough that rasps and tears you—but little phlegm got up.

Now's the time to take Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup before things get too serious.

There is no remedy equal to it for making the breathing easy, loosening the phlegm and removing all the alarming symptoms of a severe cold.

"I caught a severe cold which settled on my chest, making it feel raw and tight. Seeing Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup advertised I procured a bottle, which greatly relieved me. It loosened the phlegm, healed the lungs, and soon had me perfectly well." Neil McKay, Ripley, Ont.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

NOTICE.

The twenty-seventh annual meeting of the British Columbia Protestant Orphans' Home will be held at the City Hall on Monday, April 30th, 1900, at 4 p. m.

WM. SCOWCROFT,
Secretary.

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54 inch white bleached table damask.....50c. yard
58 inch white bleached table damask.....60c. and 65c. yard
60 inch white bleached table damask.....75c. and 85c. yard
67 inch white bleached table damask.....$1.00 to $1.25 yard
72 inch white bleached table damask.....$1.25 to $1.75 yard
83 inch white bleached table damask.....$1.50 to $2.00 yard

White Damask Table Cloths.

49x52, fine quality.....$1.75 each
60x69, good quality.....$1.50 each
67x87, good quality.....$1.75 to $2.75 each
67x103, good quality.....$2.50 to $3.00 each
72x108, extra fine.....$5.50 each
83x137, extra fine.....$8.00 each

Unbleached Damask Table Cloths.

52x65.....at 85c. each
56x70, red border.....at 90c. each

Napkins to Match Table Cloths.

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17x17.....$1.25 dozen
18x18.....$1.25 to $1.50 dozen
19x19.....$1.75 to $2.25 dozen
20x20.....$2.25 to $2.50 dozen
22x22.....$2.25 to $3.00 dozen
24x24.....$3.00 to $4.00 dozen
25x25.....$4.75 to $6.00 dozen

Extra fine quality from $6.00 to $15.00 dozen.

Bed Sheetings.

Plain, 63 to 90 in.....at 30c. to 40c. yd
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Horrockes' World Renowned Sheetings.

	Plain.	Twill.
72 inch	45c. yd.	50c. yd
80 inch	50c. yd.	60c. yd
90 inch	60c. yd.	70c. yd
100 inch	65c. yd.	80c. yd
108 inch	75c. yd.	90c. yd

Pepperell Brand Sheetings.

Extra Heavy, Soft Finish.

72 inches wide.....45c. yard
90 inches wide.....50c. yard

Bed Sheets, Premier Brand.

Made Up Ready for Use.

68x88 inches, plain.....$2.50 pair
78x98 inches, plain.....$3.00 pair
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Pillow Cottons.

Circular, 40 to 44 inch....20c. to 30c. yd
Pillow cases made up in best English Cottons from.....$3.00 dozen up
Hemstitched English Pillow Slips 20x30, at 65c., 75c., 90c, and $1.25 each
Twilled and Fancy Edged Pillow Slips—Regular sizes, at 35c., 40c., 45c., 75c. to $1.25 each.

Towels and Toweling.

Honeycomb.....$1.00 to $2.75 doz.
Union Huck.....$1.75, $2.00, $2.75 to $3.50 doz
Linen Huck (very fine).....$5.50 doz.
Turkish Bath Towels, all sizes and prices, from.....$3.00 to $15.00 doz.

Many other styles of Towels in best and most desirable goods that can be bought.

Crash Toweling by the Yard.

Aberdeen Brand.....16 inch 12c. yd
Moscow.....17½ inch 12½c. yd
Medium Huck.....18 inch 18c. yd
Medium Black.....21½ inch 30c. yd
Turkish (extra quality) 15½ inch 30c. yd

We have also cheaper lines from 10c. per yard.

Blankets.

Grey Wool, all sizes....40c. to 60c. lb
White Wool, all sizes..50c. to $1.25 lb
White Crib (very choice)..36x54.....$3.25 pair
White Crib (very choice)..42x66.....$4.00 pair

A few pairs of "Ayrshire Brand' fine Wool Blankets at special offering.

Stair Linens and Crumb Cloths.

STAIR LINEN.

Brown, 16 inch.....15c. yard
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Brown, 20 inch.....20c. yard
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Slate, 18 inch.....20c. yard
Slate, 20 inch.....25c. yard
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CRUMB CLOTHS—(Linen.)

85x121 inches.....$3.00 and $3.50
102x138 inches.....$3.50 and $4.25
120x138 inches.....$4.25 and $4.50
120x155 inches.....$5.25 and $6.00
137x173 inches.....$7.00 and $8.00

Counterpanes or Bed Quilts.

	Honeycomb.	Marseilles.
53x70 inches	90c. to $1.25 each	$1.50 to $1.75
62x76 inches	$1.25 to $1.50 each	$1.85 to $4.25
67x84 inches	$1.50 to $2.00 each	$2.25 to $5.25
70x93 inches	$175 to $2.25 each	$4.00 to $6.00

Above sizes are approximate, and will vary somewhat.

Lace Bed Spreads, with Shams to Match.

60x72 inch Spread.....$2.25 to $3.00
33x33 inch Pillow Shams.....$1.00 and $1.25 each

Fine Sateen Linings as Underlinings on above make very pretty coverlets.

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In the Gay World

Items of Interest to Many Persons.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowley, who have been for the last year living at "Roccabella," are now comfortably settled in their beautiful little home.

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Miss Proudfoot, daughter of Mr. Justice Proudfoot, Toronto, made a short visit with some of her Victoria friends on her way home, after spending a delightful winter in Southern California.

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Captain Foulkes, who has returned to Victoria accompanied by his bride, has been the object of congratulation from his host of friends. Since their marriage some months since the Captain and Mrs. Foulkes have been travelling in Europe. Mrs. Foulkes is not altogether a stranger in Victoria, and the friends already made are delighted to welcome her as a permanent resident.

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It is rumored that Admiral Beaumont has taken the residence of the Hon. P. O'Reilly, on the Victoria Arm, for the summer months. Mrs. Beaumont, who made so many friends during her short visit here last year, is coming out to join her husband on the arrival of the flagship, which is expected to reach Esquimalt early in May, and in consequence many delightful festivities are being looked forward to.

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No one can fail being struck with the number of pretty houses being erected in Victoria at the present time. One lovely residence is being built by Mr. and Mrs. Norman Macaulay, on Rockland avenue. Being situated high on the rocks, it affords one of the most magnificent views in the city. Mr. E. V. Bodwell is also building in this favorite locality. His house is nearly ready for occupancy and is in its way as perfect a little gem of modern architecture as can be found. Then, also the Rev. Dr. Campbell is building a cosy home on that vacant ground at the top of Fort street, which has been popularly known as Chestnut avenue. On this lovely spot two or three fine houses are to be put up. The one for this popular minister is rapidly nearing completion. Nor is it in this vicinity alone that new houses are to be seen. On the Esquimalt road are a great many pretty villas. With so many married naval officers here, surely it would be a good idea for some enterprising citizen to erect a few well-appointed modern houses to rent. Mr. Tiarks has led the van in this respect by building two cosy little bungalows near Esquimalt, perfect in every detail. Needless to say these houses were snapped up at once, and are already both occupied.

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Canada, and particularly Victoria, where he is so well known, is proud of Captain Clive Phillips-Wolley. His memorial poem has touched every patriotic heart. No other excepting the master piece of Kipling has received such eulogistic comment from the most eminent names in the Empire.

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Victoria received with enthusiasm the news that Mr. T. Pooley had been given a commission in one of the crack cavalry regiments in the Imperial service. Mr. Pooley was one of the first of Canadians to offer his service in defence of the Mother Land. Canadian valor has stood the supreme test on many a bloody field and to-day in the British army, where desperate work and reckless daring is required no regiment leads Canada. Mr. Pooley may have an opportunity to show what another native son can do. His career will be followed with interest, and it is the universal hope he will return unharmed, covered with honor and glory to his native land.

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The entertainment given last Tuesday evening at the A.O.U.W. Hall by the children under the direction of Mrs. D. R. Harris and Mrs. J. D. Helmcken was an exceptionally successful one, and attracted a large and fashionable audience, who were delighted with the performance. The stage was effectively decorated with broom, which made a charming back ground for the great variety of flowers represented by the dainty tissue paper dresses worn by the children.

The leading role was taken by Miss E. Hibben, whose costume represented Spring. Her rendering of the solos was in every way worthy of the cordial applause she received. The flower song by little Anita Morse appealed especially to the audience and was heartily encored. The Heralds, attired as lilies, came in for a great share of admiration and every one was pleased with the solo by Master Herbert Thomas as Batchelor's Button.

The entire cantata was charming from the opening scene, when Spring appears with her train of attendants, the coming of the different flowers in their order, each with a little song and dance, the singing of the choruses till the final address by Spring and the grand marches of all the flowers.

Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Helmcken, who are so deserving of the praises which are coming from all quarters, have kindly consented to another presentation of the cantata Saturday afternoon, which will certainly attract a large attendance.

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Many Victorians, who, like the swallows, fled to summer climes at the first approach of our gloomy winter, are thinking of returning home shortly. Among these are Mrs. Hussey and Miss Davey, the latter greatly improved in health, who are expected here early next month. Mrs. Drewery and her little boy will also be back in Victoria before many weeks have passed.

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The many friends of Mrs. W. L. Challoner will be interested to hear that on her way across the continent she stayed for a short time in Toronto, the guest of Mr. and Miss Brick, of 308 Carlton street. Mr. and Mrs. Challoner intend making an extensive tour in the Eastern States and Europe. After taking in the Paris Exposition they will return to Victoria and will take up their residence in the new house being erected for them on Cadboro Bay road.

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A great many Victorians will have pleasant recollections of a visit the late Lucius R. O'Brien, R.C.A., made here some years ago and will be gratified to know that the work of this talented artist is to be on display at the Paris Exposition, representative of Canadian art. Closely associated with the art organization from its earliest date, he identified his life with the art life of the country and confined his work chiefly to depicting Canadian scenery. Held in the highest esteem throughout Canada, Mr. O'Brien was in every way a typical Canadian, and his works will be a worthy representation of Canadian art.

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The singing og Miss Beverley Robinson, the distinguished Canadian soprano, in aid of the patriotic fund in connection with the biograph entertainment, which is to be given at the Drill Hall during the next week, recalls an interesting personal reminiscences of former patriotic funds in Canada. At the time of the Crimean war a considerable sum was collected in Canada for the English patriotic fund, and Miss Robinson's mother, Mrs. John Beverley Robinson, who was the most gifted singer of her day in Canada, gave her services to several entertainments much in the same manner as her daughter is now doing. Miss Robinson has now in her possession a document signed by the Prince Consort, who was chairman of the fund, thanking Mrs. Robinson for her valuable assistance. The document is in script form with a quaint engraving by Sir John Tenniel at the top. The only other patriotic fund known in Canadian history was at the time of the war of 1812, when Canada's sons were engaged in a hard struggle with the United States, and a very large sum was collected for the killed and wounded Canadian soldiers. Miss Robinson's grandfather, Chief Justice Sir John Beverley Robinson, was treasurer of this fund.

Miss Robinson is giving her services for the Canadian patriotic fund in the principal cities of Canada in connection with the biograph war views. In this connection Frivolity begs to say a communication has been received to the effect "that Miss Robinson will not sing at any other public performances in Victoria during her visit here."

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The Misses Powell are among the many Victorians who will go abroad this summer. During their absence they expect to visit London, Paris and the continent. Before returning they will visit friends in England. These charming young ladies will be greatly missed by the gay world during the coming season, and their many friends will wish them a most pleasant trip, and will welcome their return.

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The children's dance at Assembly Hall on Friday evening last, though not so well attended as such functions usually are, was thoroughly enjoyed, and pronounced by all the young people present as being a very jolly evening. The decorations remained from the evening before, and the hall presented a most charming picture, with the many happy and prettily dressed children dancing and making merry. Later in the evening many young ladies and gentlemen took advantage of the music and the occasion to enjoy themselves for a short time in the giddy mazes of the dance. Altogether the affair was a rare treat to the little ones, and to give such a successful function must be very gratifying to the ladies who had the management in charge.

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I am glad to find that this little venture, started in fear and trembling, is meeting with such success. I take this opportunity of thanking those kind friends who have contributed social items and have written me encouraging letters. I am always glad to hear from anyone who has suggestions to make or information to give or encouragement to offer.

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THE WEEK'S AMUSEMENTS.

A Big Bill of Attractions Commencing To-morrow Night.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser has this to say of the Boston Lyric Company, which opens an engagement here next Tuesday evening:

"'Cavalleria Rusticana' and 'Said Pasha' held the boards at the opera house last evening, giving every member of the Boston Lyric Opera Company an opportunity to renew acquaintance with a Vancouver audience. The latter certainly followed out the time-honored custom of welcoming the coming guest. Applause and encores were given without stint and the latter gracefully responded to. Domenico Russo, as 'Turridu,' in 'Cavalleria Rusticana,' was enabled to impress his hearers with his powerful tenor, but the audience reserved its chief praise for its old favorites and accorded Miss Josephine Stanton, who appeared as 'Serena' in 'Said Pasha,' quit an ovation. Repeated encores followed her vivacious songs and the solos rendered in her sweet soprano. Miss Maude Leckley as 'Alta' also favorably impressed all by her singing, but a little more life in the love scenes would much enhance her acting. Messrs. John Henderson and Charles Van Dyne are always popular favorites, especially with the gods. Last night, however, dress stalls and gallery applauded alike. They have a very happy knack of introducing old saws with new teeth in such a manner that the audience is carried away with the happy blending. The company remains here for a week and will, it is needless to say, receive a good support."

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Speaking of the Biograph War Views the Kingston News says: "Yesterday afternoon the Biograph Views delighted over 850 children. The scholars of the public schools were there, their teachers were on hand, and mothers watched the delight of their children. It was a pleasant sight to look upon that sea of youthful faces, all eagerly scanning the magic screen, and to hear the hundreds of young voices burst out into the heartiest applause as the scenes of military and domestic life, and other views, shone forth under the rays of the powerful biograph lens. One of the most pleasing features was the singing of 'The Maple Leaf' during an intermission. The children were wedged in like sardines in a box, the aisles were full, fathers lifted their little ones to their shoulders; but disadvantages or discomforts of situation went unnoticed, unforgotten, at the sight of so many scenes of interest. There is no mistake about it, the biograph has a wonderful educational influence on child-life, and the public school teachers of this city would talk a good while before they would give the pupil as good an idea of what an armored train is, how the colonial and imperial troops dress, march, exercise and fight, etc., as they gained yesterday from the biograph's clear views."

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One of the most popular forms of amusement during the past half century has been the minstrel performance as given by the great, black face comedians whose names are familiar to every one. It is a style of entertainment purely American, and one peculiarly suited to the American temperament, as it amuses and charms the auditor without tiring him by bringing into action those intense emotional feelings brought forth by the drama. At the present day there is one supremely successful man in minstrelsy, William H. West, who will appear with his own company of talented performers at the Victoria theatre Monday night. Mr. West has many surprises in store for his friends this season. Among those of this company are Carroll Johnson, Richard J. Jose, Fred Warren, the Luken Brothers, the Three Marvelles, and many others as well known.

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The musical element of Victoria, and it would not be incorrect to say those who do not class themselves as such, are becoming more interested and concerned in the production of Handel's masterpiece "Messiah," as the date of the performance draws near. All the arrangements are rapidly approaching perfection, and those who have attended the various rehearsals are especially optimistic as to the outcome of these arrangements—the rendition of the greatest musical composition that has been heard in this city since its foundation. There has been a vast amount of labor in connection with the preparations for this production, but those in charge, with indefatigable energy, persisted in their efforts to excite interest in the undertaking, as well as to bring the rehearsals up to the degree of efficiency as to warrant expectations of great success. The final rehearsal will be held this evening, and when it is borne in mind that the first performance will be held to-morrow evening, all those participating will doubtless be on hand. The first number to-morrow evening will be the National Anthem, and the audience is requested to join in with the orchestra and chorus. The programme will commence punctually at 8 o'clock, and it is desirous that all attending should be in their seats by that time. The sale of tickets is unprecedented, the rush last evening and throughout to-day being very large, thoroughly justifying the anticipation of a crowded house. On Saturday week the company will go to Nanaimo to delight the citizens of the Coal City with the inspiring music of this grand oratorio.

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THE HULL FIRE.

The disaster which has overtaken the beautiful capital city of the Dominion and its sister city, Hull, will, we feel sure, appeal to the generosity of our people. The fact that urgent appeals for assistance have already been received here indicates the dire straits to which the conflagration has reduced many. Subscription lists have been opened at the Times office and contributions will be forwarded as fast as they are received, the telegraph companies having placed their wires at the service of the public free of charge. "He gives twice who gives quickly."

CROW'S NEST LANDS.

The Premier has sent by mail to every voter in Victoria a copy of his platform and a summary of the measures generally which he purposes to enact and enforce if returned to power. In this document it is announced that efforts are to be made to recover on behalf of the province certain coal lands which passed as a grant into the hands of the British Columbia Southern Railway Company. The history of that notorious transaction is now well known. The Times strongly opposed the bargain at all stages, for it was perfectly apparent that it was likely to prove an extremely bad one for the province. It was not generally known at the time that the land was likely to prove of such great value, and probably if the property in question had turned out to be of the ordinary quality of British Columbia lands nothing would have been heard of repudiation. However, we now know that if the government were criminally ignorant or culpably negligent, certain of their supporters and friends were perfectly well aware of the potential wealth of the region, and they exercised their influence to such evil purpose for the province that a heritage worth many millions has been lost to the people forever. The Premier says he purposes taking advantage of a technicality to recover this property for the province, and he quotes the opinions of high legal authorities to prove that this is possible. He says that the weight of legal opinion is with him in his contention, and that the company are not legally in possession of this land; but the question arises if it would be the proper thing for the province to take advantage of a quibble to repudiate its obligations and deprive a company, which came in possession of the property in a perfectly legal way, of its lawful possessions. We do not think the people of British Columbia desire to repudiate their obligations; if we have sinned against ourselves and our children through choosing incompetent advisers, we and they must bear the punishment that follows all wrong-doing. There should be no repudiation.

AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION

The temporary difficulty which has arisen in regard to the Australian Federation Bill will no doubt be adjusted satisfactorily despite the pessimistic remarks of the press of the United States, which affect to see in the present temporary disagreement the germs of rebellion. The relations of the Empire and her colonies were never at any time in the history of Great Britain of a more harmonious and cordial nature. The war now going on has had a most potent influence in drawing the remote parts of our possessions into closer touch with the central parts, and we are not drifting towards disintegration but towards closer union.

The London Chronicle says the law officers of the Crown object to clause 74 of the bill now before the British House of Commons, and explains the reasons as follows:

"The clause in question confers on Australia the sole right of interpreting the constitution unless the point happens to affect some portion of the Empire outside Australia. Taking exception to this, the legal advisers of the Imperial government have proposed that there should be added to the Privy Council, sitting as a court of appeal, a department in which British and Australian judges should alike have places. A measure bringing this about would be introduced into parliament by the government, and no doubt it would be passed. Under such a system, it is argued, appeals from Australia would come before a tribunal adequately representative of that country, while at the same time the Imperial link implied in the Privy Council would remain unimpaired. That, stated briefly, is the proposal which is being submitted to the Premiers of Australia."

The measure as originally drafted would certainly draw very fine the tie that binds the Australian colonies to the Mother Country, leaving the Governor-General, the representative of the Crown, as the only remaining vestige of British suzerainty. A means of overcoming the present dead-lock is said to have been suggested to the Colonial representatives now in England, which may meet with the approval of the prospective commonwealth. It is said to presage a momentous change in the relations of the various sections of the Empire, and the announcement of the nature of the new policy will be awaited with considerable interest. We are told that it is proposed to give Australia representation in an Imperial council, but the relations which this body may bear to the nation we have not yet been enlightened upon.

It is clear that if a council such as has been mentioned is to be created its membership will be representative of all the colonies, and it is not improbable that it may be empowered to deal with all questions affecting the welfare of the Empire at large, for instance, the most effective way of defending the colonies in time of danger. The great nations of the world have not yet beaten their weapons of warfare into agricultural implements, and if the nation should be unfortunate enough to have a dispute with a first-class power the weak point would undoubtedly be the colonies. They have not taken anything like adequate measures to defend themselves, and as the self-governing possessions contribute absolutely nothing at present to the British exchequer we cannot reasonably expect the Imperial government to do all that is required in case of international complications. Sir Charles Tupper's assertion that a federation such as may be proposed means the taxation of Canada to the extent of about $46,000,000 a year is merely one of the Conservative leader's characteristic exaggerations. We are sure if the Laurier government, or any other government, should present the assets to the people of Canada and say to them that it was only reasonable that they should do their share towards the maintenance of the Royal navy there would be no hesitation on their part about supplying the funds. We know the value of the navy in Victoria. We realize the position we should have been in during the trying times of the Behring Sea controversy without the fleet to protect our sealing schooners and an experienced diplomatic service to guard our interests. Possibly opposition to such Imperial Federation as we have outlined above might be a popular move in some parts of Canada, but it is hardly likely that it would take well in Victoria.

The Conservative newspapers are greatly exercised just now about the probable date of the next Federal general election. They hint at the possibility of that important event being postponed until next year, as it is considered that the census might be taken and a redistribution bill introduced and passed before the expiration of the term of the present parliament. There is no doubt something in this point worthy of consideration, for it is intolerable that any party should be forced to appeal to the people with the largest province in the Dominion so gerrymandered as to place the Liberals at a great disadvantage. The temptation to deprive the Senate of the only excuse they are able to advance in favor of their rejection of the redistribution bill is no doubt a very strong one, but there appear to be strong reasons against postponing the contest till the last moment. Any one who remembers the events preceding the last general election will realise what these objections are. In spite of the sage remark of our friend "the gallant Colonel" that the government is thoroughly discredited from one end of Canada to the other, there is not the slightest doubt its management of affairs has been so satisfactory that it may appeal to the people at any time with perfect assurance of success.

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Sir Charles Tupper has made a strong point against the British system of colonial management. He says there is not a government on the face of the globe which has colonies—France, Germany, Austria, Spain, Holland—that pursues the same system as Great Britain; "that has not a different tariff within the empire to that of the rest of the world." Now that is undoubtedly true, but does the leader of the great Conservative party argue from it that we should resort to the colonial methods of these nations; have their colonial systems proved so successful as to be worthy of imitation by the greatest—in fact, the only—colonising nation on earth?

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As was anticipated would be the case, the Conservatives are circulating Mr. Foster's reply to Mr. Fielding's budget speech, clerical error and all. As the ex-Finance Minister acknowledged that he had made a miscalculation which destroyed the value of the criticism entirely, it seems as if common honesty would have impelled the leaders of the party to make corrections before circulating such a valuable treatise. But of course we all know that the supreme desire of the Tupperites is to deceive the people rather than educate them.

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It is pleasing to be able to announce that the Dominion government have decided to advance the salaries of all post office employees receiving less than $800 a year by $5 a month. When this order goes into effect on the 1st of July the clerks will be in receipt of salaries considerably larger than those of their fellows in Eastern Canada, but even then, allowing for the difference in the cost of living, the allowance will be none too high.

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Colonel Otter has been sligtly wounded, but that other eminent Canadian, Sam Hughes, seems to have successfully dodged all the Mauser bullets, which is extraordinary, considering the warm corners he has been in, according to his own veracious pen. Possibly the colonel's presence is more demoralizing to the morale of the enemy than the fire of a pom-pom would be.

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It begins to look as if Great Britain will never become the great nation that nature intended her to be until her statesmen call Sir Charles Tupper and Col. Prior into their counsels.

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It looks as if the Boers have slipped out of the net. General Roberts had so carefully prepared for them, but it is hard to say. The censor's blue pencil is evidently very busy.

WHAT WEBSTER DAVIS SAW.

Ambrose Bierce.

Mr. Webster Davis, the not unreturning brave, has uttered to a large Washington audience the sentiments of the funny heart of him anent the South African war. He saw it, if you please, and related through tears of sensibility and indignation the customary tales of brutality and heroism which civilians pick up in every camp of every war, which partisan orators need in their business, and which audiences joy to believe. He saw farmers, imbued with love of liberty, attack six times their number of entrenched soldiers and scatter them like a flock of pigeons. He saw thousands of lyddite shells and shells stuffed with bullets explode among heroes, doing no damage, the laws of nature being suspended for the purpose. He saw small boys (small girls would have been more fetching) treacherously slain by men helpressly wounded to whom they were giving water, and a dying old man with opportune gray hair stuck full of the victors' lances. He saw 7,000 men surround 15,000 and hold them tight for many weeks, while beating back those who hurried to uncork the bottle. Altogether this extraordinary civilian in this unearthly war saw a good deal and got much for his money. Naturally, he got a good tail hold on public sympathy and slewed the animal round till its head pointed the way that it should go. Mr. Davis is withal an admirable man to tell a good story, but, if it please him, I prefer Abanias.

"PREFERENCE AND PROSPERITY."

London, England, Finance.

All our colonies have freely given of their bravest to fight and die for their mother England; Canada alone of them all has given us a 25 per cent. preference on imported goods. And Canada has prospered; there is the preference and there is the prosperity, and who dare deny the relation between the two that every patriot would desire? If the year 1898 was regarded as almost phenomenal for Canada, 1899 was surely quite so; anyhow, it was the most prosperous in Canadian history. The revenue for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1899, was $46,741,249, or $6,186,000 over that of the preceding year, and of the increase $4,837,749 was surplus. Nearly every item showed an increase; postal revenue was an exception, owing to the adoption of Imperial penny postage, but the increase of business is rapidly making up the difference. The experience is quite in accordance with precedent, but it is none the less useful for that; the field is a new one and capable of extension to the Antipodes.

THE VILLAGE DOCTOR.

Atlanta Constitution.

Jest had one doctor in the town, the country's joy an' pride,
Who tended of his up an' down, a-goin' fur an' wide
From settlement to settlement, acrost the fiel's an' hills,
A fust rate han' at measles an' a graduate on chills.

But it come to pass one mornin' when the sun come up the skies,
An' the sleepy worl' wuz risin' an' a-rubbin' of its eyes,
To the country's consternation an' its terrible surprise,
The doctor read his titles clear to mansions in the skies!

Jest went the way of all flesh—wuz laid upon the shelf;
He who'd saved folks from dyin' whirled in an' died himself!
We done our best to save him, just agonized in prayer,
But we couldn't get no doctor to prescribe the bill of fare.

An' as the doctor went away to jine the heavenly throng,
He couldn't take the medicine he'd mixed fer us so long,
An' then there come more measles, more earthquake-rackin' chills,
Than ever had been hearn of in the valleys or the hills!

Then we p'inted a committee to sarch the country roun'
Till another fust class doctor fer the settlement wuz foun',
An' they tramped from Brown to Billville, a-goin' day an' night,
An' pitched their tents fer business when the doctors hove in sight.

They advertised fer doctors, an', brotherin, here they come
Like a regiment a-risin' to the wil' tap of the drum!
Thar wuz fifteen hundred of 'em, all ready with their bills,
Fust rate han's at measles an' graduates on chills.

The committee looked 'em over an' questioned 'em a bit,
But most of 'em wuz ole an' grey an' didn't 'pear to fit
Or fill the bill we wanted; they come in, score by score—
Enough to kill a regiment an' then look roun' fer more!

But the sense of the committee, also the chairman's views,
Wuz what the country wanted wuz a doctor that wuz new;
"The ole book," said the chairman, "the ole time doctors read,
I'd like to state, are out of date, an' them ain't what we need!

"We want a right young feller that's graduated new,
As fresh as any daisy in the sunshine an' the dew,
One with a big diploma, with a bran' new seal of red,
With all the new diseases playin' leap-frog in his head!"

So they turned the ole time doctors down an' got a young chap; well,
He knowed more new diseases than the dictionaries tell!
An' though we're poor an' humble the country roun' about,
We kin have "appendicitis" now an' all the new things out!

SQUELCHING THE ENCORE FIEND.

Indianapolis Press.

The long, solemn gentleman with the piercing eyes tapped gently on the shoulder of the encore fiend in front of him.

"Allow me to present you," said he, handing the applauder a small paper package.

"What does this mean?" asked the recipient, wrathfully, as he opened the package and found about $2 in dimes and nickels.

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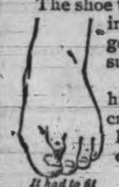
Success or failure in life oft hinges upon a man's mood at critical moments, and the way his *feet* feel sometimes sways destiny.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THE "MESSIAH."

To the Editor: I notice the admission to the performances of the above are fixed at 75c and 50c. As the proceeds go to the patriotic fund I think the management might have had a 25c ticket as well, as I am sure there are many who would be glad to go, to whom 25c is a consideration, and the fund deprived of many a 25c by a majority whom I know can not afford the above prices, and would therefore be unable to contribute anything at all. In my humble opinion if the admission was fixed at one price—25c—it would have come with better grace, as there are patriotic poor men as well as rich.

H.H.B.

THE STOCK MARKET.

(Furnished by Ben. Williams & Co., Brokers, Phone 233.)

New York, April 27.—The following are the closing quotations on the Stock Exchange: American Sugar, 113½; C. B. & Q., 126; C. M. & St. P., 119⅝; Manhattan, 93¼; People's Gas, 104¼; C. R. I. & P., 108⅝; American Tobacco, 106; Atchison pfd., 71; Union Pacific pfd., 75¼; T. C. & I., 84; Atchison com., 27¼; Louisville & Nashville, 82⅝; Brooklyn Rapid Transit, 75¼; Northern Pacific pfd., 76¼; Union Pacific com., 56⅝; American Steel & Wire com., 41¼; money loaning at 2¼ per cent.

Chicago Markets.

Chicago, April 27.—The following are the closing quotations on the Board of Trade: Wheat, 67⅝; Corn, 46⅝; Pork, $12.87½; Liverpool Wheat, 5s 8⅝d.

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All the great Generals and Crack Regiments of the British Army. Her Majesty the Queen saying good-bye to the Household Troops. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales. The world-famed views of Pope Leo XIII. Through the Rockies on a C. P. R. Engine. All the great events and personages of the day.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, April 27.—5 a. m.—The ocean high area, while still remaining central over Vancouver Island and western Washington, now covers the province, and is gradually working eastward. A moderate low area overlies Manitoba. Light rains have occurred in Oregon, Washington and in the Northwest. Temperatures have been moderate. Indications are for generally fair weather to-night and Saturday.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Saturday.

Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, fair and warm, with cool nights.

Lower Mainland—Light winds, fair and warmer, probably light frost at night.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, 41; minimum, 41; wind, calm; weather, clear.

New Westminster — Barometer, 30.20; temperature, 36; minimum, 36; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, 42; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, fair.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, 30; minimum, 28; wind, 8 miles W.; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, 50; minimum, 46; wind, 22 miles N. W.; weather, clear.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—You will find it in the B. C. Guide; 5c per copy, 50c per year, in all book stores in B. C. *

—The variety and excellence of this Spring's stock at Fit-Reform Wardrobe excells that of all former seasons.

—Have you read fortunes in the bottom of you tea-cup? Drink Hondi and read what its leaves say—"Every leaf draws." *

—Tree Pruners, Pruning Knives, Hedge Trimmers and Garden Tools cheap for cash, at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 86 Douglas street. *

—All the newest Patterns for Spring in Tailor-made Suits at Fit-Reform Wardrobe.

Two new four-masted schooners, 206 feet long, 1100 tons, are being built at Seattle at a cost of $60,000 each, for the Honolulu trade.

—Mr. Geo. Koenig, who has for years conducted the popular hotel at Shawnigan Lake, wishes to remind the public that the name of the station has been changed from Shawnigan Lake to Koenig's, and that his patrons should leave the train at the latter station, namely, Koenig's.

—Try the Native Sons Cigar, manufactured by Meiss & Co. *

—All kinds of Bicycle Tires carried in stock. Rambler Cyclery, Weiler Bros. *

—Second-hand Bicycles taken in payment on Purchase of new. Rambler Cyclery, Weiler Bros. *

—Tea Pots, Jugs and other goods in great variety just opened at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street. *

—Scientific Tailoring has realized its highest pitch in the new garments for Spring at Fit-Reform Wardrobe.

—Smokers.—Mr. A. G. Franklin, for the past several years employee of S. A. Morris, Tobacconist, can be seen at Frank Campbell's cigar store, Old Post Office, Government street. Hello Frank & Burt. *

Floral Cantata.—On Saturday (April 28th) at 2.30 p.m. there will be a matinee at the A. O. U. W. hall, when the final production of this charming little Cantata will take place. Tickets to all parts of the house, 25 cents. *

—British Columbia people going to Spokane, Butte, Helena, Minneapolis, St. Paul, or the East, will enjoy the luxurious ease afforded by the Northern Pacific's new North Coast **Limited, in service** on and after April 29th. Up-to-date Standard Pullmans and the crack Tourist cars of the Northwest on this new train. *

—Have you seen the latest in Khaki suits at 37 Johnson street? McCandless Bros.

—Fruit Boxes.—A full line of strawberry, plum and small fruit baskets and crates, apple and pear boxes, also butter plates, can be had in any quantities at F. R. Stewart & Co.'s, wholesale provision and fruit merchants, 40 Yates street, who have secured the agency of the British Columbia Mfg. Co., Ltd., New Westminster. Call and inspect before purchasing elsewhere. *

According to information received from Vancouver the death has occurred at that city of Helen Chislette, widow of the late Hon. A. N. Richards, aged seventy-one years. Mrs. Richards has resided at Vancouver for some time past with her daughter, Mrs. Senkler. The remains will be brought to this city this evening, and the funeral will take place to-morrow from Christ Church Cathedral, the interment being at Ross Bay cemetery.

The special procession committee in connection with the coming celebration held a meeting in the City Hall last evening, when the various sub-committees reported most satisfactory progress. The different trades and fraternal societies have been interviewed, and all have expressed themselves as heartily in favor of a large parade, in which floats will form a predominant feature. Many of the tradesmen have stated their willingness to provide floats representative of their trades, as many as thirty being promised, and that these will prove a most interesting feature of the procession, as well as productive of beneficial effects, is apparent to all. A meeting of the general procession committee will be held this evening, when the details will be thoroughly discussed. The sub-committee on sports also held a meeting in the City Hall last evening, when it was decided to request an appropriation of $150, of which $100 is for football and $50 for baseball. The sports committee will also hold another meeting this evening.

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—Mowat & Wallace, on Yates and Douglas streets, have the finest Early Rose and Burbank Seed Potatoes in the city. They give trading stamps. *

—Just received, direct, a splendid assortment of trout flies. Inspection invited. Henry Short & Sons, 72 Douglas street.

—A light outbreak of mange among the horses in the vicinity of Kamloops has been reported to the department of agriculture, which has taken steps to inquire into the matter. A similar outbreak occurred there last year.

—J. R. Anderson, secretary of the department of agriculture, is dispatching a consignment of pheasants' eggs to H. Douglas, manager of the National Park at Banff. Mr. Douglas will experiment with them and will endeavor to stock the park with the Mongolian pheasant, if the experiment proves successful.

—The government inspector of animals, J. Gibbons, has made a thorough inspection of all the cattle herds between Victoria and Nanaimo, and reports that they are remarkably free of disease. In a number of instances, however, he states that the owners should pay more attention to the feeding of their herds.

—The Times is asked to correct an item in yesterday's issue, in which the statement is made that the nomination of Hon. Jos. Martin as honorary president of the Liberal Association was made on motion of Messrs. John Bell and J. Matthews. The names should have been James Bell and John McMillan.

—Great progress is being made by both principals and chorus in their preparations for the production of the opera "Bridal Trap," the full dress rehearsel last evening being particularly satisfactory. The costumes received from San Francisco are especially handsome. Yesterday the principals were photographed by Skene Lowe, and the picture will be exhibited in the early portion of next week.

—A. J. and H. G. Davies are a pair of popular prescription pharmacists who have purchased the property of the People's Popular Prescription Pharmacy from Chas. E. Jones, who is thinking of going to Cape Nome. The four P's, made famous by Mr. Jones, will be retained in the title of the new establishment, which is to be called Davies's People's Popular Prescription Pharamacy.

—Khaki suits for men, boys and children; also riding and bicycle pants. McCandless Bros., 37 Johnson street.

—Society Day, which was inaugurated so successfully in Victoria last year, will be celebrated this year at Nanaimo. The fraternal organizations there are already making preparations for the event and have formed an executive committee, of which Wm. Bennett, of the A.O.F., and Will F. Norris, of the Free Press, are chairman and secretary respectively. The date of the demonstration will be fixed at a meeting of the committee to-morrow night.

—Do you wish to dispose of your late magazines and periodicals? If so, you can do good by sending them to the men's reading room, 17 Johnson street. The managers beg to return thanks to the following ladies and gentlemen who have contributed reading matter during the past month: Mesdames J. W. Williams, Grieg, G. Grant, Burkholder and J. Robson, and Messrs. N. Shakespeare, Fawcett, Spofford and Durland, Times and Colonist offices and others.

—A dispatch was printed in these columns last evening from Vancouver, in which it was stated that Chas. McCluskey had disappeared. Mr. McCluskey resided here in Victoria for many years and was well-known here. Recently, however, his health has failed him and it was necessary for him to have continual attendance. It is to be hoped that nothing of a serious character has befallen him, and Victorians will be pleased to learn of his reappearance as well as his restoration to his former good health.

—A meeting of the board of management of the Sunday school of the Centennial Methodist church was held on Wednesday evening, when very satisfactory reports were received from the different officers. These showed that the financial receipts and the membership of the school had increased considerably during the year. The election of officers resulted in the re-appointment of Superintendent Noah Shakespeare and all the teachers, and of Gordon Grant, jr., as secretary. T. H. Matthews was elected leader of the orchestra, and J. P. McConnell of the singing.

—Advices from Honolulu via San Francisco, to April 17th, are to the effect that the plague seems to have entirely disappeared and the United States consul issued the first clean bill of health to a vessel departing from here since December 12th to the schooner Bertha Miner, which sailed for Puget Sound on April 14th. The council of state has adopted the following resolutions: "Resolved, that it is the sense of the council of state that the Hawaiian government should pay all just claims for losses caused by the action taken by the board of health in connection with the suppression of the bubonic plague; that is, losses caused by the burning of houses, furniture and goods by direct order of the board of health, as well as losses caused by the accidental spread of fire on January 20th, 1900, and losses caused by the fencing up of land on which houses have been burned. Further, that the council of state most earnestly advises the executive council to appoint a new court of claims of five members, at least three of whom shall be business men." President Dole has not acted on the resolutions as yet. The authorities of the Australian colonies have been notified that all vessels bound from infected Australian ports touching at Honolulu will be quarantined and the vessels must carry satisfactory bills of health if they wish to call here. Inspectors representing the Hawaiian government have been appointed at each of the three affected Australian ports.

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—Work has been commenced on the excavation for a new two-story brick building on the corner of Herald and Government streets.

—R. W. Suter, B.A., of McGill, a teacher of seven years' experience, has been appointed by the board of school trustees to replace Mr. Currie, of the Boys' Central School, who has resigned.

—A meeting of the American Librarian's Association is to be held in Montreal in June, when it is expected that over three hundred librarians from all parts of the continent will be present. E. O. Schoefield, librarian of the Legislature, has been invited to attend, but will be unable to do so, as preparations for the session will then be in progress.

—The travelling libraries which were organized by the government almost two years ago have proved to be a great boon to the isolated sections and settlements of the province, and the demand for them is steadily growing. Librarian Schoefield is at present busily engaged in completing two more, applications having been received from Mount Lehman, on the Fraser river, and from the 150-Mile House. When these are dispatched a score of applications will have been met by the library here.

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"Another friend, a lady who is a cripple and has been an invalid for a long while, took up Postum Coffee about two years ago. She has gained many pounds, and her flesh is now hard and firm. It is natural we should sing the praises of Postum." Miss Ida M. Forney, 31 Highland Ave., Melrose Highlands, Mass.

It will be observed from the above that each person showed an increase in sturdy strength, brought about by leaving off coffee and the use of Postum Food Coffee. The reason for this experience is that the poisonous alkaloids contained in regular coffee, prostrated the nervous system, bringing on all sorts of aches and ails, and disintegrating the delicate cells in the nerve centres, destroying and throwing out the elements absolutely required by Nature for maintaining good, sound nervous strength and health.

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SHIPPING NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

VICTORIA TIDES.

By F. Napier Denison.

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and 18.6 feet above the sill of the Esquimalt dry dock.

Saturday, April 28.		Sunday, April 29.	
Time.	Height above zero.	Time.	Height above zero.
1:40 a.m.	8.0 feet.	2:10 a.m.	8.4 feet.
8:00 a.m.	1.5 feet.	8:40 a.m.	0.9 feet.
3:20 p.m.	8.6 feet.	4:00 p.m.	8.6 feet.
8:00 p.m.	7.5 feet.	8:50 p.m.	7.5 feet.

Capt. Frank M. Yorke, the well-known stevedore, has organized a company known as "The Yorke Lighterage Co.," which is to do a general lighterage business at Cape Nome. The company has placed orders with the Moran shipbuilding Company of Seattle for the building of a large steam launch for towage at Cape Nome, four scows and a fleet of fifteen dories, which, together with the scows, are to be used in taking cargo from the steamer, ships, schooners, etc., anchored off Nome, to the shore. The steam launch will be 152 feet long, 12 feet beam and 6 feet deep. The steamer, scows and dories are to be taken up on the steamer Garonne, which sails from the Sound on May 20th for the Arctic diggings. Before sailing for Nome, Capt. Yorke, who returned from the Sound this morning, arranged to have the big steamer come over to the Esquimalt dry dock to be overhauled. She will come over on May 10th. While in Seattle Capt. Yorke made a contract with the White Pass & Yukon railway to deliver a thousand tons of Comox coal in the North every month. The coal will be taken up on the big barge Georgian, which has been lying idle in the upper harbor for some time. He also arranged for the sale of 1,100 tons of Comox coal to the steamer Garonne.

A dispatch from the operator at Cape Beale, received late yesterday, says two Indian sealers of the schooner Victoria, passed there yesterday morning in a canoe bound to Victoria. They reported that the schooner had 220 skins on Monday last. As there were then but eight days of the season left, it looks as though the Victoria will have a small catch. A dispatch from Tacoma tells of the picking up of two other Indians from the Victoria by the collier Mattewan on Wednesday. The Indians were in a canoe about thirty miles off Cape Flattery. They reported that while out after a herd of seals a dense fog came up and they were unable to reach the schooner. They were nearly exhausted when the steamer picked them up. They were put ashore at Neah Bay.

The bark Sebastian Bach, which put into Honolulu in distress when on a voyage from Chemainus mills with a cargo of lumber for Hongkong, has been sold by public auction at the Hawaiian port. As will be remembered, letters from the master to R. P. Rithet told of the fact that her damages, as a result of her buffetings in the storm which all but foundered her, were so serious that she was considered a total loss. A board of surveyors also came to this conclusion, for in an examination made by them they condemned her and reported that she was not worth repairing. She was sold under the hammer on April 14th, and brought $2,800.

According to advices from Honolulu via San Francisco, a suit for $580,000 has been brought against the owners of the steamer Miowera on account of the refusal of Captain Henning, of that vessel, to carry twenty-nine members of Hogan's minstrels from this port to Victoria. The paraphernalia of the company had been taken to the dock and fumigated, when Capt Henning sent word that he could not take the company. The minstrels allege that the color line was drawn, but the agents of the steamer say that there was no room on the vessel for the troupe.

The Seattle and Puget Sound papers generally have been full of stories of the revenue cutter Bear chasing the British steamer Alpha in order to prevent her landing supplies and passengers at Nome, says the San Francisco Call. According to the Seattle papers the Bear is supposed to be after the Britisher, whereas she is still in port and will not pass out through the Golden Gate until to-morrow afternoon.

Steamer Utopia will make an extra trip from the Sound on Monday, bringing over West's minstrels, who appear at the Victoria that evening. The Victorian will resume her service on Tuesday.

The Hawaiian sugar fleet to carry the 1900 sugar shipment from the various island ports to the Atlantic coast will comprise 16 ships and three barks. They will carry about 62,500 tons of sugar.

Steamer Olympia came in to the outer wharf last evening with over 400 passengers, 270 being landed here. These were mostly Japanese.

Steamer Goodwin sailed from Tacoma yesterday with 6,000 tons of general cargo and a deck load of heavy timbers for the Orient.

Schooner Emma and Louise, one of last year's sealing fleet which changed her register, left Seattle to-day for Cape Nome.

Bark Fortuna, from Newcastle, Australia, was on fire at Honolulu on April 11th. She was discharging her cargo rapidly.

Steamer Oscar sailed from Ladysmith this morning with a cargo of ore from Mount Sicker for the Tacoma smelter.

Steam schooner Laguna was totally wrecked in Tillamook bay on April 11th.

Steamer Islander left Vancouver at 1.30 p.m. She connected with the train.

Some years ago the project was mooted of communication with Liverpool from Fort Churchill in Hudson's Bay, to carry the product of Manitoba and the Northwest without having such a long land haul, and now, with the same end in view, Chicago wants to become a "seaport." A dispatch from Chicago to the Times says: "The Tribune says that a direct line of steamers from Chicago to Liverpool doubtless will be the outcome of a number of projects now on foot. From present indications the ships will be of the Welland canal size, capable of carrying 75,000 bushels of wheat and drawing 14 feet."

When the steamer Danube sailed from Vancouver for Skagway she had among her passengers 65 Japanese bound for the Klondike, says a Vancouver paper. It is understood in Vancouver that this is the first contingent of a steady movement of Japanese to the land of cold and gold. They will endeavor to hire out as day laborers in mines, but if prevented by organized labor, will work out abandoned claims and prospect the country.

D. G. S. Quadra returned at noon from Active pass, where she has been engaged in filling in the beacon on Enterprise reef. She will leave port again on Monday, when she goes to Carmanah point to make some necessary repairs at the lighthouse.

Steamer Queen City arrived at Vancouver this morning from the North. She will arrive here late this afternoon.

Steamer Hero is due from Ounalaska about Thursday next. She will go into the dry dock on her arrival here.

Steamer Boscowitz sailed for the North last night with a full cargo and many passengers.

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We are opposed to the present Provincial Administration, and shall take an early opportunity of expressing our views on the issues of the day.

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AGENTS.

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By Book Post

The eagerly awaited "From Capetown to Ladysmith" (1) is now in every one's hands. Many of the letters we knew before and all are more or less familiar, in so far as the subject matter is concerned, but the glowing word-painting and the feeling descriptions of the environments and inspirations of action as well as its horrors will make the book affectionately welcome. We want to know all our men are suffering for us, that we may the better appreciate the sacrifice which shall be deathless. Forever and ever the far graves in South Africa will be hallowed in remembrance by all Canadian people. Every mother who has a son must grieve for that other mother, wherever she live, who sent her son to die. So it is that we are concerned with all that happens to our soldier boys in every part of the vast field of battle. And with all that concerns that wonderful siege of Ladysmith, there is no other book which will tell it so well. Mr. Steevens was the prince of war correspondents, and, what was more, he had the heart to drink to the dregs the sorrowful cup of the battle's tragedy. Every wound and every death was as keen a sorrow to him as if it had been his first taste of war. And, think of it, only a boy, not thirty! It has not been generally known what a great scholar he was, a brilliant man of letters, adored by his university, of whom was expected great and learned achievements, and who turned his back on academic fame and won immortal fame of another sort. It is to little purpose to quote from this interesting work since, however fragmentary and incomplete, it is all rife with the soul of a great man. But here and there in almost every chapter are passages which men will keep by them for remembrance sake and to inspire. Who will forget the march of the men from Dundee ending, "Dragging sore feet along the miry roads, they heard the guns at Rietfontein and were glad? The seemingly objectless cannonade secured the unharassed home-coming of the 4,000 way-weary marchers from Dundee." Or the letter, "In a conning tower," ending "The royal navy is the salt of the sea and the salt of the earth also," or that description of a rifle fusilade, beginning "Tack-tap, tack-tap, tack, tack, tack, tack, tap—as if the devil was hammering nails into the hills." Ah! the pity of such a pen is stilled! A tremendous force is lost to Imperialism and to the world.

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I have read through "Vivian of Virginia" (2) with patience and with none but kindly feelings toward the author, realizing that, however lacking it may be in all the essentials of a good novel, it is a great deal better than I could do myself, so that it behoves me to be discreet in criticism. But I cannot tell a lie, and the world is not appreciably the better off because of the publication of this romantic tale. It concerns old Virginia and its lords and ladies, and politicians and adventurers. There is a bit of fighting, a fair amount of treachery, of love unrequited and success at last, of virtue rewarded, and vice punished. The book is no worse than dozens of its confreres, the best of the story being the character of the fair heroine, Zoe Langdon. She herself is delightful. A pleasing glimpse, too, is given of Charles II. of England. "Such a kindly, generous soul was the second Charles, despite his faults, which may heaven forgive."

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"A Rational Grammar of the English Language" (3) by W. B. Powell, A.M., and Louise Connolly, M. S., is a new departure in grammars. Little attention is paid to derivation. The language is presented as it is. The subject is developed naturally and hitherto puzzling points are stated simply. The practical side of the study—correct forming of the speech of the pupil—is especially emphasized. Attenton is paid to the treatment of the verb, the use and meaning of words, to idioms and peculiar constructions and punctuation. The book is not an experiment, as it has been successfully tried in the Washington schools.

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A useful little publication I have before favorably reviewed, and whose utility I have not since had reason to question, is Steadman's "Complete pocket-guide to Europe" (4). The new edition of it has a small supplementary volume, a guide to the Paris exposition. The latter seems to be as complete and conveniently compiled as the former. The work is most comprehensive, and with it in hand the horrors of the unknown in foreign travel are considerably mitigated.

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Some Exercises in "Mind-training" (5) by Catherine Aiken, is a volume of interest to all who use their mental powers as a means of livelihood, or to whom study is a necessity. It is primarily intended for the use of teachers. It is meant to stimulate quickness of perception, concentrated attention and memory. So far as I can glean from a hasty survey—having no memory to train—I was not greatly concerned. The book is scientifically worked out and based on sound principles. Dear knows, most of us would have been the better off if in infancy and schoolhood had we had the advantage of systematic mind-training. As the author of this book points out, this training must be of daily habit.

* * *

'First Days in School" (6) by S. T. Stewart, is a dear little primer, prettily gotten up and arranged according to the latest fashion in pedagogy. It requires no preliminary work. It is likewise reasonable in price, which will appeal to some Victoria mothers whose children's education seems of less importance than the fit of their tailor-mades. To me it seems a duty of such high sacredness as well as of economic value to give our children the broadest and finest education that money can buy, that no sacrific would be intolerable which would give this result. Out upon you! Pay your Chinaman less and your governess more!

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Nocturnal Silent Expeditions

which alone calm and assuage the perpetual excitement of his present existence.

"Outwardly he maintains an impenetrable screen of self-control, observing with a cynical smile the foibles and caprices of those around him. He seems ever bracing himself to be on guard against a moment in which he should be swept by some unnatural and spontaneous enthusiasm, in which by a word, by an expression of face, by a movement, or in turn of a phrase, he should betray the rigours of the self-control under which he lives.

"Every passing townsman regards him with curiosity not unmixed with awe. Every servant in the hotel watches him, and he, as a consequence, seldom speaks without a preternatural deliberation and an air of incisive finality. He seems to close every argument with a snap, as though the steel manacles of his ambition had

Checkmated the Emotions

of the man in the instincts of the officer. He weighs each remark before he utters it, and suggests by his manner, as by his words, that he has reconsidered the different effects it might conceivably have on any mind as the expression of his own mind.

"As an officer, he has given to Mafeking a complete and magnificent security, to the construction of which he has brought a very practical knowledge of the conditions of Boer warfare, of the Boers themselves, and of the strategic value of the adjacent areas. His espionage excursions to the Boer lines have gained him an intimate and accurate idea of the value of the opposing forces and a mass of data by which he can immediately counteract the enemy's attack. He loves the night, and after his return from the hollows in the veldt, where he has kept so

Many Anxious Vigils,

he lies awake hour after hour upon his camp matress in the veranda, tracing out in his mind the various means and agencies by which he can forestall their move, which, unknown to them, he had personally watched.

"He is a silent man. In the noisy day he yearns for the noiseless night, in which he can slip into the vistas of the veldt, an unobtrusive spectator of the mystic communion of tree with tree, of twilight with darkness, of land with water, of early morn with fading night, with the music of the journeying winds to speak to him, and to lull his thoughts. As he makes his way across our lines the watchful sentry strains his eyes a little more to keep the figure of the colonel before him, until the undulations of the veldt conceal his progress.

"He goes in the privacy of the night, when it is no longer a season of moonlight, when, although the stars are full, the night is dim. The breezes of the veldt are warm and gentle, impregnated with the fresh fragrances of the Molopo, although, as he walks with rapid, almost running, footsteps, leaving the black blur of the town for the arid and stormy areas to the west, a new wind meets him, a wind that is clear and keen and dry, the wind of the wastes that wanders forever over the

Monotonous Sands of the Desert.

He goes on, never faltering, bending for a moment behind a clump of rocks, screening himself next behind some bushes, crawling upon his hands and knees. His head is low, his eyes gaze straight upon the camp of the enemy. In a little he moves again, his inspection is over, and he either changes to a fresh point, or startles the dozing sentry as he slips back into the town."

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ALASKA ROUTE

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Wednesday.—Leave Sidney at 8 a. m., calling at Fulford, Ganges, Galiano, Plumper Pass, Pender, Saturna and Sidney.

Thursday.—Leave Sidney at 8 a. m., calling at Plumper Pass, Burgoyne, Vesuvius, Gabriola and Nanaimo.

Friday.—Leave Nanaimo at 7 a. m., calling at Gabriola, Vesuvius, Burgoyne, Plumper Pass and Sidney.

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Cottage City, April 10, 25, May 10, 25, June 14.
City of Topeka, April 5, 20, May 5, 20, June 4.
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And every fifth day thereafter.

The steamer Cottage City will leave Victoria for Alaska at 4 a. m., April 11, 26, May 11, 26, and Queen, June 10.

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9:15 a.m.	Nelson	5:20 p.m.

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Arrive Port Townsend	1:45 a.m.
Leave Port Townsend	2:00 a.m.
Arrive Victoria	4:45 a.m.

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DAILY EXCEPT MONDAY.

Leave Victoria	8:30 a.m.
Arrive Port Townsend	11:15 a.m.
Leave Port Townsend	11:30 a.m.
Arrive Seattle	2:15 p.m.
Leave Seattle	2:45 p.m.
Arrive Tacoma	4:45 p.m.

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Lake Superior—Beaver Line	May 11
Lake Ontario—Beaver Line	May 16

FROM NEW YORK.

State of Nebraska—Allan Line	May 26
Oceanic—White Star Line	May 16
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Lucania—Cunard Line	May 5
Etruria—Cunard Line	May 12
New York—American Line	May 9
St. Paul—American Line	May 16
Friesland—Red Star Line	May 9
Patricia—Hamburg-American Line	May 12
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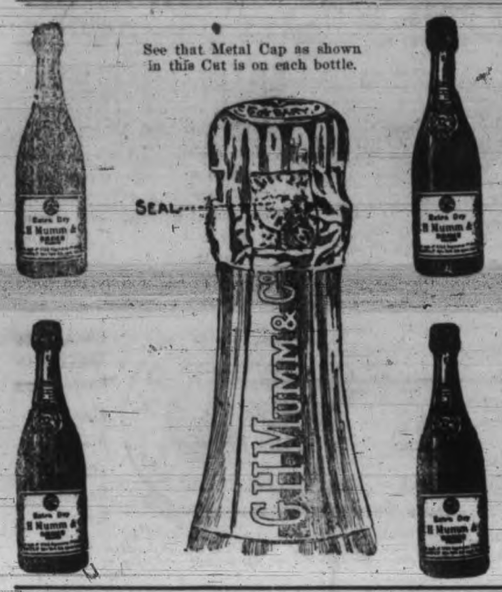

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Read Comparative Table of Imports.

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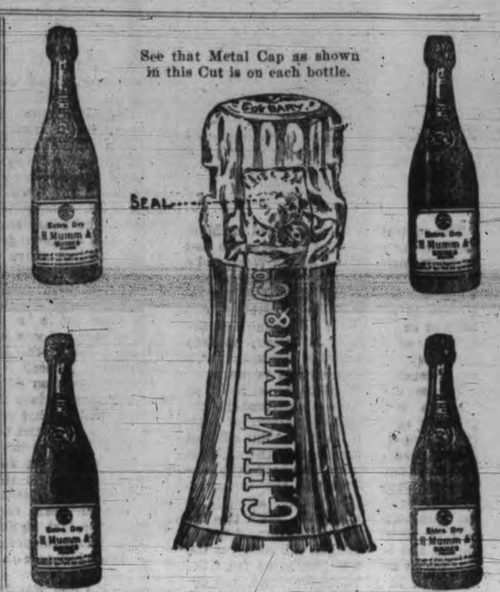
G. H. Mumm & Co.'s "Extra Dry"	**86,855**	**109,303**
Moet & Chandon	34,206	36,808
Pommery & Greno	28,318	35,700
Heidsieck & Co.	13,908	13,574
Piper Heidsieck	8,022	12,990
Vve. Clicquot	11,669	12,479
Ruinart, Pere & Fils	10,638	11,048
Louis Roederer	9,095	10,520
Perrier-Jouet	8,125	6,130
Ernest Irroy & Co.	3,585	2,306
A. DeMontebello & Co.	1,561	2,301
Bouche, Fils & Co.	1,702	2,048
Delbeck & Co.	1,265	1,754
St. Marceaux	1,743	1,302
Chas. Heidsieck	1,705	1,258
Geo. Goulet	1,345	
Various Brands—(15 or more)	18,677	19,618
Total	243,319	279,700



SOLE WHOLESALE AGENTS FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA:

PITHER & LEISER, Victoria

Provincial News.

ROSSLAND.

There was another small blaze here on Monday afternoon. Little damage was done. The total loss at the sawmill fire amounted to about $7,000. The insurance was $2,000. The fire at Ross Thompson's building caused about $400 worth of damage to the structure itself, which was fully covered by insurance.

Little Antoinette Saucier, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Saucier, met with a painful accident on Monday while playing in the yard of the family residence at 302 West Le Roi avenue. She slipped and fell heavily on her side on a rock, inflicting an internal injury which may be serious.

George W. Dell, a painter, met with a painful accident on Monday afternoon while engaged in painting the residence of Mr. Stillwell on Thompson avenue. He was using a jack ladder and was reaching down to paint the roof below the ladder. This resulted in displacing the ladder. Mr. Dell lost his balance, rolled off the roof and fell to the ground a distance of about 12 feet. It was found that he had broken one of the small bones of his left leg at the ankle.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

L. McQuarrie, of this city, has been awarded the contract for the grading of sections five and six of the Vancouver-Steveston railroad. Mr. McQuarrie will commence work in a few days on his new contract.

A court of the Independent Order of Foresters was organized at Port Moody on Monday evening by W. E. Gillespie, D.S.C.R., of Toronto, with a charter list of 35 members.

Laurent Perrault, foreman of the stone-cutters on the construction of the new post office, met with a serious and very painful accident on Tuesday afternoon, while attending to his duties on Messrs. Gilley Brothers' dock, where the stone to be used is being cut. Mr. Perrault was superintending the splitting of a large piece of stone at the time, when one of the steel wedges rebounded, after it had been struck by the mallet, and hit him just above the right eye on the temple, inflicting a nasty flesh wound.

The framework of the new shingle mill being built by the Royal City Planing Mills Company, on the water-front, near the Lulu Island bridge, is completed, and the machinery is put in readiness.

NELSON.

A successor to Dr. W. O. Rose in the position of house physician at the general hospital has been chosen in the person of Dr. Charles E. Doherty, now practicing at Bethany, Missouri. Dr. Doherty is a native of Eglington, North Toronto, and graduated from Trinity Medical School with the degree of M.D. C.M. and F.T.M.C. His engagement commences on May 1st.

E. B. Rhoda, who for two years sailed on the steamer Nelson and was lately mate on the Moyie, has resigned his position and left on Tuesday night for the Yukon river, where he will act as mate on one of the Canadian Development Company's steamers. His place will be filled by J. Fitzsimmons, who has recently been on the Columbia, plying on the Arrow lakes between Nakusp and Arrowhead.

At the adjourned meeting of the board of directors of the Kootenay Lake general hospital, held on Tuesday afternoon, the resignation of Miss Crease, matron of the hospital, was accepted. Miss Ella DesBrisay will succeed Miss Crease on May 1st. Miss DesBrisay has been head nurse at the hospital for the past eighteen months.

VANCOUVER.

A 100-lb. keg of nails was found on Wednesday morning by the men who were at work excavating for a new building in the rear of the Gold house. The nails had evidently been there since the fire in 1886, for they were rusty and had been baked into a molten mass by the fire of that fateful Sunday afternoon.

Nothing has yet been found of Charles McClusky, who disappeared from his home on Burrard street at 2 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. He had been in poor health for some time, and a good deal of anxiety is being felt about him.

The announcement that H. W. Cobbrook, senior principal of the Queen's school, Georgia street, is retiring from active work in connection with the school at midsummer, has been received with general regret by the parents and those interested in the scholastic welfare of the city.

The sad death took place on Wednesday morning of William Kirby, aged 42 years, from the family residence on Powell street. The deceased had been a resident of the city for a number of years, and owned quite a large amount of property here.

Mrs. Busby, an elderly lady resident on Fairview, who was widely known and respected, died on Wednesday at the residence of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Norman McLean, from a complication of pleurisy and pneumonia. The deceased lady leaves behind many sorrowing relatives and friends in and about Vancouver.

Yesterday morning a thief entered the Merchants' Exchange saloon and secured a bag containing $65 in money and $70 in cheques, making good his escape.

Frank Mayhew Richardson has passed a very successful examination before the Dominion government board of examiners here, qualifying for the position of provincial steamboat inspector. Mr. Richardson is a brother of the chief engineer of the Empress of China.

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ECZEMA ON THE SCALP.

Some of the cures effected by Dr. Chase's Ointment are more like miracles than anything else. The case recorded here was one of the worst ever brought to the attention of Toronto's best physicians, and when doctors gave up all hope of recovery Dr. Chase's Ointment was successful in producing a perfect cure.

Mr. James Scott, 136 Wright avenue, Toronto, states: "My boy Tom, aged ten, was for nearly three years afflicted with a bad form of Eczema of the scalp, which was very unsightly and resisted all kinds of remedies and doctor's treatment. His head was in a terrible state. We had to keep him from school, and at times his head would bleed, and the child would scream with agony. For two and a half years we battled with it in vain, but at last found a cure in Dr. Chase's Ointment. About five boxes were used. The original sores dried up, leaving the skin in its normal condition. To say it is a pleasure to testify to the wonderful merits of Dr. Chase's Ointment is putting it very mildly."

Dr. Chase's Ointment, at all dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

Mining News

Camp McKinney.

Greenwood, April 21.—Nothing but good reports continue to come from Camp McKinney. Business is picking up and not a day goes by but the stage from Greenwood contains one or two passengers for that point. A property that is causing considerable favorable comment is the Mammoth, owned by a Spokane company. The latest report is that the winze being sunk from the said tunnel is in a paystreak of rich ore. The winze is now down 17 feet and is being put down as rapidly as possible with the small force working. The vein measures 32 inches between walls that stand perpendicular. On both walls is a rich streak of galena, carrying considerable gold, and throughout the vein filling is plenty of sulphurets. The tunnel was run in a distance of 65 feet on the ledge, when it was stopped and orders came from Spokane to sink a winze on the ore chute; this is now being done with excellent results. At the present time the total depth from the surface is 65 feet. The winze was sunk at a point in 16 feet from the portal of the tunnel.

A new strike is reported on the Dayton, which continues to be the sensation of the camp. At a point 120 feet from the first discovery, where the shaft was sunk, another open cut shows the ledge as strong as ever, the ledge panning free gold. On the Porto Rico, the adjoining claim, Hamilton & Yonkin, the owners, have unearthed what they believe to be the extension of the Dayton vein on their ground.

In Omaha camp, where the Lemon company's properties are located, an important strike was made at the 210-foot level, and a new formation two feet in width, greatly resembling the Cariboo ore was encountered in the drift. The Lemon stamp mill has been compelled to close down for a short period awaiting the arrival from Peterboro, Ont., of another ore feeder, which is now en route.

The Waterloo mill, which was closed down on account of the water in the ditches freezing, is to be started at an early date. It is said that the face of the drift on the first level has five feet of solid ore. The mine is looking first rate.

Kamloops Property Sold.

The Kimberley deal, regarding which there has been so much speculation of late, was finally completed on Saturday on very satisfactory terms to the original owners of the properties involved. The purchase price was $48,500, of which a considerable proportion was paid in cash. The purchasers are well known capitalists of Windsor, Ont., and Cleveland, Ohio. The group comprised the following claims situated about four miles south of Kamloops: Kimberley, Charlotte, Last Chance, Morning Star, Steen Winder, Occidental, and the Keystone Fraction.

Harsh purgative remedies are fast giving way to the gentle action and mild effects of Carter's Little Liver Pills. If you try them, they will certainly please you.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

Notice of Assignment.

PURSUANT TO THE "CREDITORS TRUST DEEDS ACT."

Notice is hereby given that James Haynes and Clement Abram Haynes, trading under the firm name and style of J. and C. A. Haynes, Grocers and Provision Merchants, of 82 Douglas street, in the City of Victoria, and Oaklands Post Office, in the Province of British Columbia, have by deed bearing date the sixth day of April, 1900, assigned all their real and personal property, except as therein mentioned, to Arthur Brenchley, of 120 Belleville street, in the City of Victoria, in the said Province, Clerk, in trust for the purpose of paying and satisfying ratably or proportionately and without preference or priority the creditors of the said James Haynes and Clement Abram Haynes their just debts.

The said deed was executed by the said James Haynes and the said Clement Abram Haynes (the assignors) and the said Arthur Brenchley (the trustee) on the sixth day of April, 1900, and the said Trustee has undertaken the trusts created by the said deeds.

All persons having claims against the said James Haynes and the said Clement Abram Haynes must forward and deliver to the said trustee at his office, No. 40 Yates street, Victoria, B. C., full particulars of their claims, duly verified, on or before the eleventh day of May, 1900. All persons indebted to the said James Haynes and the said Clement Abram Haynes are required to pay the amounts due by them to the said trustee forthwith. After the said eleventh day of May, 1900, the trustee will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice.

And take further notice that a meeting of the said creditors will be held at 59½ Government street, Victoria, B. C., on Tuesday, the seventeenth day of April, 1900, at 3 p.m.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., the 7th day of April, 1900.

LANGLEY & MARTIN,
59½ Government street, Victoria, B. C.,
Solicitors for the Trustee.

Notice of Assignment.

PURSUANT TO THE "CREDITOR'S TRUST DEEDS ACT."

Notice is hereby given that David Reid Pottinger, of No. 72 Yates street, in the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, Provision Merchant, has by deed, bearing date the 2nd day of April, 1900, assigned all his real and personal property, except as therein mentioned, to Arthur Brenchley, of 120 Belleville street, in the City of Victoria, in the said Province, Clerk, in trust for the purpose of paying and satisfying ratably or proportionately and without preference or priority the creditors of the said David Reid Pottinger their just debts.

The said deed was executed by the said David Reid Pottinger (the assignor) and the said Arthur Brenchley (the trustee) on the 2nd day of April, 1900, and the said trustee has undertaken the trust created by the said deed.

All persons having claims against the said David Reid Pottinger must forward and deliver to the said trustee at his office, Number 40 Yates street, Victoria, B. C., full particulars of their claims duly verified on or before the seventh day of May, 1900. All persons indebted to the said David Reid Pottinger are required to pay the amounts due by them to the said trustee forthwith. After the said seventh day of May, 1900, the trustee will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have had notice.

And take further notice that a meeting of the said creditors will be held at 59½ Government street, Victoria, B. C., on Wednesday, the 18th day of April, 1900, at 3 p. m.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., the 3rd day of April, 1900.

LANGLEY & MARTIN,
59½ Government Street, Victoria, B. C.,
Solicitors for the Trustee.

Wood's Phosphodine,

The Great English Remedy.

Sold and recommended by all druggists in Canada. Only reliable medicine discovered. *Six packages guaranteed* to cure all forms of Sexual Weakness, all effects of abuse or excess, Mental Worry, Excessive use of Tobacco, Opium or Stimulants. Mailed on receipt of price, one package $1, six $5. *One will please, six will cure.* Pamphlets free to any address.

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Wood's Phosphodine is sold in Victoria by all wholesale and retail druggists.

TO MY FRIENDS

HAVING BOUGHT THE

Marine Iron Works

and sold my interests in the Victoria Machinery Depot Co., I may be found at my office and works,

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between Government and Store streets, opposite Gas Works, ready to undertake Engineering, Boilermaking, etc., etc.

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S. G. FAULKNER,
PROVINCIAL MANAGER,
VANCOUVER, B. C

City of Victoria, British Columbia

Tenders for Debentures

Sealed tenders endorsed "Tenders for Debentures" will be received at the office of the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Monday, the 14th day of May, 1900, for the purchase of debentures of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B. C., amounting to $200,000 or its sterling equivalent at the rate of $4.86 2-3 to the one pound sterling, in sums of $1,000 or its equivalent as aforesaid, payable in 25 years from 1st April, 1900, and bearing interest from that date at the rate of four per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly, with principal and interest payable as aforesaid, at the office of the Bank of British North America, either in London, England; New York, Montreal, or Victoria, B. C.

The tenderer must state the price net at Victoria which he will pay.

In addition to the net price the purchaser will have to pay the Corporation the interest at four per cent. from 1st April, 1900, to whatever date the money is received by the City Treasurer.

The above debentures are issued under authority of "The Point Ellice Bridge Accident Loan By-law," with principal and interest secured by a rate on all ratable land and improvements in the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

The Corporation does not bind itself to accept any tender.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk.

City Hall, Victoria, B. C.,
28th March, 1900.

British Columbia Photo-Engraving Company.

We are now fitting up our Photo-Engraving plant and will be ready to fill orders for all kinds of

Half Tone and Line Work

On or about the 1st of May next.

Have Your Cuts Made at Home

Good work guaranteed and prices right.

No. 26 Broad St., Top Floor Times Building, Victoria, B.C.

W. H. LEGG, MANAGER.

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF B. C.

EXAMINATION

An examination of candidates for registration under the Medical Act, will be held at the Parliament Buildings, Victoria, on Tuesday, May 1st, and following days.

The Registrar will attend at Board of Health rooms, Parliament Buildings, on Monday from 10 to 5 p. m. to receive names and examine diplomas.

For further particulars apply to Dr. C. J. Fagan, Registrar, Victoria; or to Dr. W. J. McGuigan, Vice-President, Vancouver.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that we, the undersigned, Erskine, Wall & Company, of the corner of Fort and Government streets, Victoria, Grocers, shall apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for a transfer of our license to sell wines and liquors in bottles from said premises to the premises in the new brick block situated at the northwest corner of Government and Broughton streets, to which we are about to remove our store.

Dated the 12th day of April, 1900.

ERSKINE, WALL & CO.

In The Supreme Court of British Columbia.

In the Matter of the Goods of Alexander Donaldson, Deceased Intestate.

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATORS ACT.

Notice is hereby given that under an order granted by the Honorable Mr. Justice Walkem, dated the 21st day of April, 1900, I, the undersigned, was appointed administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of the above named deceased. Parties having claims against the said deceased are requested to send same to me on or before the 21st day of May, 1900, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to me forthwith.

WILLIAM MONTEITH,
Official Administrator.

Victoria, 21st April, 1900.

NEW WELLINGTON COAL

Washed Nuts, $4.25
Sack and Lump, $5.50 Delivered.

Also Anthracite Coal for Furnaces

KINGHAM & CO.,
44 Fort Street. Telephone 647.

The New Fire Hall

Victoria West to Have a Splendid Up-to-Date Building.

The Contract to Be Awarded on Monday—Convenient and Complete.

The contract will be awarded on Monday for the erection of the new fire hall to be constructed in Victoria West, and a glance at the plans is sufficient to convince one of the fact that it is the intention to provide that flourishing district of the city with a building and fire fighting facilities of a strictly modern character, and entirely consonant with the excellent system now in vogue.

For some time past the citizens of Victoria West have experienced the pressing need for fire quarters of sufficient proportions to maintain efficient and modern apparatus, and the city has in recognition of this fact made the necessary arrangements for the inauguration of the new structure, as well as the necessary equipment. With this object in view the combination chemical engine and hose wagon intended for the city of Everett was purchased from the agent, A. G. Long, of Portland, and upon the erection of the new quarters will be installed therein, "ready for action."

The new building will be situated on the corner of Catharine and Edward streets, and will be a two-story brick affair with rubble stone foundation. The roof, which will be of the gable character, will be of slate. The building will have a frontage of 31 feet on Catharine street and a depth of 62 feet. The height from the base to the eaves will be 32 feet. The bell tower will be about eight feet in height and will be situated midway in the front portion of the structure. The entrance doors will be installed after the most approved methods, while due consideration will be given toward making the front of the building as attractive as possible. Adjacent to the large entrance for the team and apparatus there is another and smaller entrance for the men. There are three windows over the front entrance, and above the middle window will be the inscription "Fire Hall, No. 4." The interior of the building will be conveniently and comfortably fitted up, there being three rooms on the upper floor—a bedroom, a hall, and dressing room, beside the smaller apartments in the way of bath rooms, etc., etc. On the ground floor, of course, will be the apparatus, and stall accommodation will be made for two horses. All the essentialities in the modern equipment of a fire hall, including the sliding pole and other particulars will be installed. The premises will be enclosed by a picket and a close board fence.

It is the intention to have three men in charge of the station, and with the splendid new engine, and the required amount of hose, Victoria West need have no fear as far as the fighting fire facilities in their district are concerned. With the establishment of this hall Victoria West will be girdled by fire quarters, well equipped, and every way calculated to afford protection to the districts in which they are established. These being in close communication with the headquarters there will be a uniformity and system in the fire department which will place it among the best organizations for fire fighting on the coast. The chief is always on the qui vive for the most convenient and efficacious arrangement of his department, and the inauguration of the new headquarters will make the present system more comprehensive and convenient.

A new hydrant has been installed on the corner of Esquimalt and Front street, and an alarm box is now being placed on the corner of Belton avenue and Craigflower road. A new hydrant will also be placed on Belton avenue when the new hall is erected.

SMASHED THE CAMERA.

Dullman, One of the Supposed Dynamiters, Objects to Have His Photograph Taken.

(Associated Press.)

St. Catherines, April 27.—The Dominion government has ordered a patrol to be put on guard to watch the canal and tunnels at Thorold till further orders.

Welland, Ont., April 27.—Photographs of the three supposed dynamiters were taken in jail here yesterday. Dullman, the supposed leader of the gang, made a strong resistance to have the camera perform its work, and succeeded in smashing it, but another camera was procured and a picture taken.

A PORTLAND MYSTERY.

Body of a Man, Supposed to Have Been Murdered, Found in the River.

(Associated Press.)

Portland, Ore., April 27.—The body of an unknown man has been found floating in the river in front of this city. Around the neck was a twisted wire to which were attached two brake shoes taken from a freight car, and weighing about fifty pounds. The head of the corpse was badly crushed in, indicating that the man had been murdered and thrown into the river with weights attached. The body has not been identified.

SUING STANDARD OIL CO.

(Associated Press.)

Desmoines, April 27.—The Crystal Oil Co., of this city, has filed a case for $50,000 damages against the Standard Oil Co., alleging that the defendants ruined the business by improper business methods.

Thomas Weir Burdon, of Montreal, is under arrest charged with forgery, at the instance of the Merchants' Bank of Canada. The amount involved is said to be nearly $20,000.

NOTES FROM VANCOUVER.

House Demolished by a Gunpowder Explosion—Man Drowned—Street Car Jumps the Track.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, April 27.—A gunpowder explosion occurred on Tuesday night at Elk Bay, 100 miles up the coast. The eleven-year-old son of David Esson, logger, was sent from the shore to their house with a twelve-pound tin of gunpowder. No one was in and the lad began pouring the powder on the stove to see it flash. The whole can finally exploded. The house was entirely demolished, most of its fragments with pieces of the kitchen stove being carried a considerable distance. The boy has lost the sight of both eyes, even if he ultimately recovers.

Theodore Smith, a prominent citizen of Westminster, was drowned in seven feet of water at the Brunette sawmills yesterday afternoon.

A special session of the City Council was held hastily last night to rescind a previous motion that contractors for the new sewers be bound to work their men only nine hours a day, with a Saturday half-holiday, at 24 cents per hour. It was found that the contract would cost the city two thousand dollars extra.

A special tram car returning from Westminster last night after a political meeting there jumped the track while going down hill at a rapid rate, and the politicians were piled in a heap in the corner. No one was badly injured.

THE PASSING THRONG.

Arrivals of the Day at the City Hotels—Gossip of the Corridors.

Capt. Thos. B. Pritchard, of the ship Glenesslin, now loading lumber at Chemainus for Delagoa Bay, and his mate R. P. Jones, are registered at the Dominion. They are getting some sails made here.

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E. Janne de Lamarre, the editor of the Klondike Revue of Paris, and his party, got no further than the vicinity of Bennett on their automobile, it being stalled there in the slush.

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H. Bell-Irving, the well-known Fraser river cannery man, arrived last night from the Mainland. E. A. Wadhams, the northern cannery man, also arrived by the Islander.

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C. Duncan, of Vancouver; George Schann, of Berlin, Ont., and T. C. Johnson, of Montreal, are among the recently arrived commercial travellers registered at the Victoria.

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R. H. Kleinschmidt, of Helena, Montana, the well known mining man who is interested in many properties in this vicinity, is a guest at the Victoria.

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Mrs. Ackroyd was one of the passengers by the steamer Islander last night. She comes to join her husband, Lieut. Ackroyd of the militia garrison.

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A. Hirschel Cohen, of the Cassiar Central Railway Co., returned by the steamer Victorian this morning from London, England.

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J. W. Fay, of Montreal; W. G. McGregor and W. R. Begg, of Toronto, are a trio of lately arrived commercials at the Driard.

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John Sparling and D. J. Slackpole, of Winnipeg, are registered at the Dominion. They will leave shortly for Dawson.

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J. H. S. Matson, provincial manager of the National Life Insurance Co., returned from Vancouver last night.

W. H. Hayward, one of the opposition candidates for Esquimalt, returned from the Mainland last evening.

C. Gunson, of Armstrong, B. C., is registered at the Dominion. He will leave shortly for England.

F. R. S. Balfour, of London, Eng., and Alex. Thomson, of Tacoma, are guests at the Driard.

Alex. McDermott, the local Stevedore, was a passenger from Vancouver last night.

J. T. Moran, a traveller with headquarters at Vancouver, is at the Dominion.

C. E. Mallett, of Bolton, Eng., is at the Dominion. He is returning to Atlin.

O. D. Stoesser and wife, of San Francisco, are guests at the Driard.

Guy G. Willis and wife, of Portland, are registered at the Driard.

Capt. F. M. Yorker returned from the Sound this morning.

G. A. Kirk returned home by the Islander last night.

APPOINTED RECEIVER.

(Associated Press.)

New York, April 27.—Judge Lacombe, of the United States Circuit Court, today appointed Henry W. Gays receiver of the New York & Ottawa Railroad Co.

Look at yourself! Is your face covered with pimples? Your skin rough as a blotchy? It's your liver! Ayer's Pills are liver pills. They cure constipation, biliousness, and dyspepsia. 25c. All druggists.

Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Then use BUCKINGHAM'S DYE for the Whiskers.

Coal City Candidates

Rumor That W. W. B. McInnes Will Oppose Ralph Smith in Nanaimo.

The Probable Candidates in North Victoria—Views of Rossland Man.

A convention is called for Salt Spring on the 28th instant (to-morrow) for the purpose of selecting a candidate to contest North Victoria in the anti-Martin interests. T. W. Patterson, H. Robertson, of Moresby Island, J. P. Booth, the late member, and W. J. Taylor, of Victoria, are spoken of as likely candidates. The supporters of the government claim that they will have a strong man in the field. Capt. Clive Phillips Wolley is also mentioned as a straight Conservative candidate.

A public meeting is being held to-night in Vancouver in the interests of a new political organization which has been formed there. It is called the United Socialists Labor Party of B. C. The platform, which is that endorsed by the International Socialists Labor Party of the world, has for its objects the taking over of all monopolies by constitutional methods, the overthrow of the competitive system and the adoption of the co-operative commonwealth by uniting the workers for political action.

The fact that John McMillan has returned to Victoria explains the return also of Gordon Hunter, who started out on a tour of the northern portion of the island with the express purpose of following up Mr. McMillan's meetings.

Finance Minister Ryder has been interviewed at Cumberland, where he said: "I shall probably be here for two weeks. I cannot stay longer now for the business of the country must be carried on and we aim to carry on that business until the elections anyway." He said: "I shall run here in the Martin interests and under his present platform. Any new planks he may see fit to introduce in the future I shall use my discretion in supporting. I aim to represent the working man but at the same time I do not propose to uphold any legislation for or against any company or corporation." Referring to the trunk road, Mr. Ryder stated that he had secured $4,000 to be expended on that highway at once.

A. B. Clabon, of Rossland, in an interview at Montreal yesterday regarding the political situation in British Columbia, attributed the present condition of affairs to a lack of interest on the part of the better element of that province to exert itself in behalf of the welfare of the province politically. Speaking of Mr. Martin as the leader of the government, Mr. Clabon said he decidedly preferred to see Mr. Martin in that position instead of Mr. McIntosh. "For it was certain," he said, "that if the latter, with his friends, reached power there would be little left of the province at the end of their term."

John Keen, of Kaslo, has resigned his position as mining assessor and collector, recorder and registrar of the county court in order to run in the provincial general elections as a straight Conservative candidate in the Slocan.

A special to the Times from Nanaimo says: "At a public meeting held at Extension Tunnel last night John Ratcliffe was nominated as an independent candidate for South Nanaimo. This makes three candidates now in the field in that district. However, your correspondent is credibly informed that Mr. Dunsmuir will not stand for the district, and it is safe to say that Mr. McInnes will not accept the nomination offered him on Tuesday evening.

"To your correspondent Mr. McInnes declared that he had nothing whatever to say as to his intentions until he had looked over the situation, but said that he would make an announcement in a few days. Politicians were very busy yesterday and last evening, and Mr. McInnes had many callers. Some of the intimate friends of the Dominion member say that it is probable that he will run in the city as an independent candidate, opposing Ralph Smith. All the interest centres in Mr. McInnes just now, and there will be uneasy minds until he announces his intentions in the coming fight."

THE RELIEF FUND.

The Mayor Telegraphs Victoria's Sympathy—Subscription List Opened.

Although no steps have yet been decided upon in regard to a civic subscription to the fund for the relief of the sufferers by the Ottawa-Hull fire, it is probable that a public concert or some similar affair will be organized in order to swell the receipts for this purpose.

This morning Mayor Hayward dispatched the following telegram to the Mayor of Ottawa and also to the Mayor of Hull:

"Citizens of Victoria most deeply pained at the news of the enormous loss in your city by fire, and beg to tender to sufferers their sincerest sympathy.

"City council regrets it cannot legally devote corporation money towards relief, but prompt action will be taken to realize substantial sum from private contributions.

"CHAS. HAYWARD,
"Mayor."

In response to a telegraphic appeal received from the Ottawa Citizen this morning, addressed through Manager Dee of the Western Union Telegraphic Company to all newspapers in Canada, the Times has opened a subscription list in aid of the sufferers by the disastrous fire at the capital reported in yesterday's issue. Any contributions received by the Times will be forwarded at once to the relief committee at Ottawa.

NEW RAILWAY LINE.

St. Paul, Minn., April 27.—The railway commission has granted the Gulf & Manitoba railway permission to increase its capital stock from $250,000 to $500,000. The proposed line will be 700 miles long, with Duluth and Kansas City as its terminals.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—The gratifying intelligence was received to-day by Postmaster Shakespeare from the department at Ottawa, that commencing with the 1st of July the salaries of all the employees of the post office who are now receiving less than $800 per annum, will be increased $5 a month. This brings the salaries of the local office up to the rate granted to the Vancouver one a short time ago. The matter has formed the subject of representations to Ottawa by the Liberal Association and by the local representatives at Ottawa, on the ground that the salaries here, owing to the greater cost of living in the West, were disproportionate to those obtaining in the East. About fifteen employees will be affected by this advance.

—The glare of the footlights is as attractive to some young ladies as is the flame of the candle to the moth, and many are the stage-struck. The latest local victim is a young lady who until last evening was a waitress at one of the city hotels. This morning she started for the steamer Utopia bound for Seattle, where so her plan of campaign ran, she was to join a company being formed to go to Cape Nome. The start was at far as it went though, for her father attached her trunk, all the same sheriff, and on the news reaching the runaway maiden that she couldn't "take her trunk and go," the trip was off. The scheme was given birth several days ago, in fact, coincident with the visit of G. B. West, the advance agent of West's minstrels. He told when here of a company to be formed to dance and sing for the amusement of the miners at Cape Nome, and the erstwhile waitress was to be one of the company. In this she kept her own counsel and waited. Yesterday afternoon a telegram came, presumably from the minstrel man, and then the trunk was packed. Bright and early this morning it was sent down to the Sound steamer. So far so well, but there was still thirty minutes before the steamer sailed and in the interim some one informed the father. He hied him to the wharf and found an expressman checking the trunk of the flying daughter. He seized the trunk and hurried home to intercept the daughter, but she did not care to go without the trunk, and the Cape Nome company will lack the prepossessing young lady from Victoria.

—Edward and William Baylis, charged with having stolen property in their possession, were brought before Judge Drake this morning and they elected to take a speedy trial, the time to be fixed by the Attorney-General's department. The Cadboro Bay cottage, it is alleged, was the place where stolen guns, blankets and groceries were kept. It is understood that one of the men had, when arrested, some hundreds of dollars belonging to him, and it is not suggested that this money was stolen, but he cannot pay any of it to secure a lawyer to defend him, as the police authorities refuse to give up any of the sum to the prisoner. Under a section in the code the judge after convicting a person tried before him may order the crown's expenses to be paid out of the moneys on the prisoner when arrested, and in this case the crown want this money kept to pay their expenses in the event of securing a conviction.

—The St. Andrew's Presbyterian church was crowded last evening by an audience who listened to an intensely interesting address on Atlin by Rev. Dr. Pringle, who during his remarks spoke enthusiastically of the beauty of the northern district as well as its unrivalled prospects. Besides being pastor of the Presbyterian church of Atlin, Rev. Mr. Pringle has charge of the Presbyterian hospital, in which there are two trained nurses, and he gave a splendid description of the labors of the church in this field. The speaker was enthusiastic regarding the future prospects of Atlin, and pointed out that the total output of gold there last year was $800,000. At the conclusion of his address, Lieut.-Gov. McInnes moved a vote of thank, which was seconded by Ald. Brydon, and unanimously carried.

—In the police court this morning Mary Atwood was charged with drunkenness and fined $10 and $1 costs or twenty days' imprisonment with hard labor. Eliza, a klootchman, and an old offender, was fined $20 and $1 costs or one month's imprisonment for a similar offense. A bicyclist paid $3, and the charge against a citizen for driving over Point Ellice bridge faster than a walk was withdrawn.

—Yesterday Provincial Constables Murray and Campbell discovered another assortment of stolen goods at Oak Bay. Among the goods was a tin trunk stolen from George Gillespie's cabin at Sooke.

TRAIN HELD UP.

(Associated Press.)

Little Rock, Ark., April 27.—A southbound St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern passenger train was held up by a negro bandit near Higginson, 10 miles north of here this morning. He confined his operations to one passenger coach. The bandit escaped, but the authorities are in pursuit.

THE QUEEN AT HOLYHEAD.

(Associated Press.)

London, April 27.—Thousands of persons this morning witnessed the landing of the Queen at Holyhead, where she arrived yesterday on her return from Ireland. The Royal train started southwards at 11 o'clock, amidst an enthusiastic demonstration.

—Double Trading Stamps on Ladies' gloves and sailor hats, $1.00 up. Saturday, 28th, at Geo. R. Jackson's.

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ASSAULT-AT-ARMS.

Splendid Programme of Athletic Events Given Last Evening in the Drill Hall—Large Attendance.

Nearly a thousand people attended the assault-at-arms in the drill hall last evening, and enjoyed a programme which for successful arrangement of detail and excellent performance has never been rivalled by any event of a similar character in this city. It was eminently fitting that the most instructive and enjoyable series of athletic exercises which have been held during the past season should be concluded with a finale on a pretentious scale, and the Sergt.-Major and those in charge inaugurated their preparations accordingly.

The first number last evening was the field gun drill by two detachments, and the excellent precision, combined with the thoroughness in which the men performed their task commended itself to those present as indicative of what members of the Fifth Regiment can do in the way of manipulating the guns. The second number—fancy marching by a number of the men carrying various colored pennants, under the direction of Sergt.-Major Muicahy—was most deservedly appreciated by the spectators.

The exhibitions of boxing were productive of universal amusement, the first bout being between Gr. Hilton and Gr. Byrn. This was perhaps the most scientific exhibition in the lightweight events, Byrn showing himself to be considerably more active on his feet than his opponent. He proved victor in this bout, winning the first and third rounds. The next event, between Sergt. Browne and Corp. Margison, was infinitely livelier. This bout was won by Sergt. Browne, who carried the first and third rounds. The third contest was between Gr. Anderson and Gr. Morse, and was in every way a worthy successor to the previous event. In this connection it might be mentioned that Gr. Morse has not been a member of these classes during the season, and gallantly stepped into the place of the party who was to have been Gr. Anderson's opponent, but who was unable to attend. Gr. Morse's action was highly commendable, as without any training or practice he participated in the desire to contribute to the enjoyment of those in attendance. This bout was delightfully diversified, the contestants not being trammelled by the cast iron inflexible rules of science, and the cheers and approbation of those present fully rewarded the victor, Gr. Morse, and the loser for the gallant fight they made.

The various contests took place in a 24-foot ring, the referee being Capt. Clive Phillips-Wolley, and the judges Capt. L. Thompson, R. N., and Mr. Fisher. The time keeper was H. Morton. All the officers acted with impartiality and decision. Each of the contestants was attended by a second, who proved especially solicitous as to the welfare and condition of his champion.

An exhibition of broadsword fencing was given by Corp. Keating and Gr. Pumfrey, but the latter unfortunately sustained a slight injury owing to a defection in the mask, and the bout was consequently not continued.

The final heat in the lightweight boxing exhibition was next held, the contestants being Gr. Byrn, winner of the first bout, and Gr. Morse, victor of the third. This was a very spirited contest, and was won by Gr. Byrn.

A splendid exhibition of tumbling was given by Grs. Peden and Erskine, assisted by the clowns, Trompeter Merrifield and Gr. Brown, after which "Old Tulip" donned the gloves, and with his pupil, W. Lorimer, proceeded to give an exposition of the manly art in the heavyweight class.

The illuminated club swinging by Chas. Wrigleswortb was splendidly performed, the fire flashing effect being particularly striking. The horizontal bar exhibition by Grs. Peden and Erskine, and Corp. Clarke and Trumpeter Merrifield was excellently given, and evoked hearty applause.

The various other events, including the single stick bout and the wrestling contest maintained the standard of excellence established by the other portion of the evening's entertainment.

The programme was brought to a conclusion by the National Anthem. Throughout the evening the Fifth Regiment band contributed to the enjoyment in their usual excellent manner.

Those in charge wish to thank Capt. Clive Phillips-Wolley, Capt. Thompson and Mr. Fisher for their kindness in acting in the various contests, and C. Wrigleswortb for his exhibition of club swinging. The able manner in which Sergt. Russell officiated as floor manager is worthy of the highest commendation.

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BASEBALL.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Philadelphia, April 25.—Brooklyn, 6; Philadelphia, 4; Dun and McQuire, Platt and McFarland; umpire, Emslie.

At New York—New York, 8; Boston, 9; Doheny and Grady, Dinner and Sullivan; umpire, Connolly.

At St. Louis—St. Louis, 5; Chicago, 2.

At Cincinnati—Cincinnati, 9; Pittsburg, 2.

CRICKET.

GREENWOOD CLUB MEETING.

At the recent meeting of the Greenwood Cricket Club the election of officers resulted as follows: President, F. J. Finucane; first vice-president, Robert Wood; second vice-president, James Anderson; committee, P. P. Sharpe, R. Harris, C. Hodges and C. W. Chesterton; secretary-treasurer, F. Lewin. Matches have been arranged with the clubs of Rossland, Nelson and Midway.

THE WHEEL.

TORONTO RACERS.

(Associated Press.)

Toronto, April 27.—Chairman Walter, of the C. W. A., will shortly summon a meeting of the racing board of that association to deal with bicycle racing in this country, in view of the Montreal section seceding from the C. W. A. It is probable that the Toronto racing contingent will join the Montreal association in a body.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

THE MATCH TO-MORROW.

The Victoria Football Club will put in their final practice this evening on Beacon Hill for their game with Wellington at Nanaimo to-morrow. The players are all in fine shape and go up with the intention of bringing back with them the championship of British Columbia, which carries with it a challenge cup and medal. The following team has been chosen and are requested to be at the station to-morrow morning at 8:45 sharp: Goal, F. Jones; backs, B. Schwengers, H. A. Goward; half backs, A. Rutherford, J. W. Lorimer (captain), A. Johnson; forwards, H. Shandley, J. Hunter, J. Noot, R. Livingstone and L. York.

THE RIFLE.

SHOOT TO-MORROW.

To-morrow a shooting match takes place on the Clover Point range between teams chosen by Capt. McConnan and C. S. Major Richardson, from No. 3 Company. Shooting will commence at 2 p. m. sharp. A bugler will be on the range and a charge of 10c. will be made for each challenge. The teams will be as follows:

No. 1 Team—Capt. McConnan, Sergt. Bodley, Corp. Winsby, Corp. Gartley, Bd. Cavin, Gr. Brayshaw, Gr. G. Neill.

No. 2 Team—C. S. M. Richardson, Gr. Fleming, Gr. Duncan, Gr. Toller, Gr. Buckett, Gr. G. W. Neill, Gr. A. Richardson.

Any other members of the company who may be on the range will be added to one or other of the teams.

LACROSSE.

CAUSE FOR DISCUSSION.

The usual placidity in Mainland lacrosse circles appears to be considerably disturbed of late by the adverse criticism on the part of the Terminal City enthusiasts of the action of their delegates to the lacrosse convention in agreeing to the Peele brothers playing with the Westminster team this season. Formerly these players resided in New Westminster and have played with that city's team for years past. They are now, however, residents of Vancouver, and on this ground the Terminal City people object to their continuing to play for the rival team. It is to be hoped that this matter will be satisfactorily settled before the active operations of the season commence.

JAMES BAY MEETING.

A meeting of the James Bay Lacrosse Club was held on Wednesday evening, when, among other business, the question of arranging a match with the Vancouver juniors in this city during the approaching celebration was discussed. In all probability the Bays will follow the action of the Victoria Lacrosse Club and utilize the Oak Bay grounds this season. The James Bay club is a rapidly thriving organization, and has now a membership of twenty, and others are constantly joining.

BRAVE MEN FALL

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles and feel the result in loss of appetite, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, run-down feeling, but "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man," writes J. W. Gardner, of Idaville, Ind., "when he is all run-down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50c. Every bottle guaranteed by F. W. Fawcett & Co., druggists.

In McClure's Magazine for May, Professor Simon Newcomb will write of the total solar eclipse that is to occur on May 28th, telling where and to what degree it will be visible and what astronomers hope to learn from it. He will also give an account of the important things that have been learned from previous eclipses. The article will be fully illustrated.

A special dispatch from Bombay says: "The cholera is raging fearfully at the great camp at Godra, where thousands of famine stricken natives are receiving relief. A hundred and fifty corpses were removed yesterday; 100 others had to be left because it was impossible to procure bearers."

Alex. W. Gilchrist, for over a quarter of a century conductor on the Grand Trunk railway running between Toronto and Brockville, is dead, aged forty-nine years.

Dan McGillivray, of Vancouver, has been awarded the contract for building an ore dump at Michipicoten for the Algoma Central. The dock will cost $200,000.

The seven Swiss mountain guides, brought out by the C. P. R. for service at Banff Springs, left Montreal Saturday by the regular train.

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BROOK'S BICYCLE SADDLES—Just received a supply of the celebrated English Brook's Bicycle saddles, at John Barnsley & Co.'s, 115 Government street.

COMMITTEE MEETING.

24th of May Celebration.

THE

Procession and Sports Committee

Will Meet at the City Hall on

THIS FRIDAY EVENING,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

The following gentlemen are members and will accept notice:

Procession and Sports.—C. H. Lugrin, Dr. Milne, George Jeeves, W. H. Price, H. D. Helmcken, Herbert Cuthbert, W. Ridgway-Wilson, Hon. J. H. Turner, T. H. Twigg, the presidents of the various fraternal organizations and trades unions, Dr. Lewis Hall, chairman of the School Board; all the aldermen, Col. Gregory, William Lorimer, F. H. Eaton, Harry Morton, B. P. Schwengers, Chief Deasey, Thomas Watson, W. H. Langley, W. E. Ditchburn, Alf. Anderson, Capt. Royds.

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DIED.

KIRBY—At Powell street, Vancouver, on April 25th, William Kirby, aged 42.

BUSBY—At Fairview, Vancouver, on April 23rd, Mrs. Busby.

ROBERTSON—At Hamilton, Ontario, on April 25th, George Edward Robertson, C. E., second son of David Robertson, of Vancouver, in his 45th year.

RICHARDS—At Vancouver, B. C., on the 20th inst., Ellen Chaffey, relict of the late Hon. A. N. Richards, in her seventy-first year.

The funeral will take place on Saturday, at Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, at 2:45 p. m.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Utopia from the Sound—F H Worlock, G Willis and wife, A Thompson, O Steerser and wife, F R S Balfour, Mrs Molson, A Grant and wife, R H Klemschmidt, Mrs Esmond, H Cook, H H Cohn, C E Wilson, E G Thompson, F M Yorke, Mrs Conell, F Shailing, J E Burns, Mrs Conley.

Per steamer Islander from Vancouver—Miss Gothard, W M Wood, M Gunson, W H Hayward, Mrs Butler, Miss A Coles, T H Matson, Mrs E W Andrew, L Grice, W B Congoy, H Bell-Irving, E B Martin, J M Fahey, Mr Tisdall, W R Begg, F Petersons, W Stacpool, J D Hunter, W Gill, Alex McDermott, E A Wadhams, Miss Ludway, G A Kirk, Mrs H O Ackroyd, A Stetwell, W C McGregor, G E Mallett, J R Sparling.

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